

# MISSISSIPPI PORT AUTHORITY

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

### SPECIAL MEETING

**January 18, 2017**

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Minutes of the Mississippi State Port Authority Board of Commissioners Meeting,  
Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 2510 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1450, Gulfport, Mississippi at  
which the following Commissioners and staff were present:

Commissioners: Robert Knesal, President  
James C. Simpson, Jr., Vice-President  
Jack Norris, Treasurer  
E.J. Roberts, Commissioner

Staff: Jonathan Daniels, Executive Director/CEO  
Matthew Wypyski, Chief Operating Officer  
John Webb, Director of Engineering  
Kim Purchner, Executive Asst./HRO  
Mel Arsenault, Director of External Affairs  
Carlos Bell, Director of Community Engagement  
DeeDee Wood, Chief Financial Officer  
Nick Foto, Deputy Program Manager

Others: Philip Carter, MDA (via telephone)  
Dr. Bruce Hall, SeaOne

Commissioner Knesal noted the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

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Commissioner Simpson moved to authorize the removal of RFC #159 (pertaining to SIC pay app #15) that was previously approved at the September 22nd Board Meeting. Commissioner Roberts seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Roberts moved to approve Cash Request #160 to Anchor QEA in the amount of \$846.75. Commissioner Norris seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

*Commissioner Knesal left the meeting for the next agenda item:*

Commissioner Simpson moved to approve payment of \$16,269.50 to Eley, Guild, Hardy Architects under Cash Request #159. The total for Cash Request #159 is \$4,133,157.14. Commissioner Roberts seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

*Commissioner Knesal returned to the meeting.*

Commissioner Simpson moved to close the meeting to discuss the need for an Executive Session. Commissioner Roberts seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Simpson moved to enter Executive Session to discuss lease negotiations with a prospective tenant. Commissioner Roberts seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

(THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT APPROXIMATELY 4:25 P.M.).

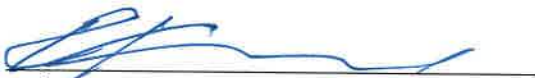
Commissioner Roberts moved to come out of Executive Session. Commissioner Norris seconded and the motion was unanimously approved. Commissioner Simpson had to leave the meeting during Executive Session.


Commissioner Knesal stated that no action took place during Executive Session

Commissioner Roberts moved to adjourn. Commissioner Norris seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:10 p.m.

Approved and Attested

  
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Robert J. Knesal  
President

  
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John Rester  
Secretary