

# MISSISSIPPI PORT AUTHORITY

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

### SPECIAL MEETING

**February 11, 2015**

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Minutes of the Mississippi State Port Authority Board of Commissioners Special Meeting, Wednesday, February 11, 2015, 2510 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1450, Gulfport, Mississippi, at which the following Commissioners and staff were present:

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

Staff: Jonathan Daniels, Executive Director & C.E.O.  
Matthew Wypyski, Chief Operating Officer  
John Webb, Director of Engineering  
Kim Purchner, Executive Assistant/HRO  
Carlos Bell, Director of Community Relations & Marketing  
Mary Bourdin, Director of Finance  
Mel Arsenault, Director of Compliance  
Nick Foto, Project Manager

Ben Stone, Balch & Bingham  
David Duhe, Balch & Bingham

Others: Jeff Bertucci, MS Gulf Resort Classic  
Geoffrey Knesal, MS Gulf Resort Classic  
Lisa Bradley, MS Gulf Resort Classic  
Daron Wilson, MDA  
Philip Carter, MDA

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

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A presentation was made by Jeff Bertucci, Geoffrey Knesal and Lisa Bradley of the MS Gulf Coast Resort Classic regarding a sponsorship request.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT:

Commissioner Simpson moved to approve cash request #80 - Anchor QEA (\$55,969.73); Atkins (\$19,763.12); Atwell & Gent (\$31,993.36); L&A Contracting (\$2,422,317.92); Michael Baker (\$262.50); MSPA (\$48,419.26); Neel Schaffer (\$157,703.20); QES (\$34,418.69); Thompson Engineering (\$15,478.89); Tropical World (\$6,400.00); RFB (\$2,677.50) for a sub-total of \$2,795,404.17. Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

*Commissioner Knesal recused himself from the following agenda item:*

Commissioner Rester moved to approve payment of \$849,046.35 to Necaise Brothers (under Restoration Agreement Request #80). Commissioner Roberts seconded and the motion pass with Commissioners voting as follows:

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| Commissioner Rester  | Affirmative |
| Commissioner Roberts | Affirmative |
| Commissioner Simpson | Affirmative |

Commissioner Roberts moved to approve payment of \$245,864.74 to CH2MHill (under Restoration Agreement Request #80). Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was approved with the Commissioners voting as follows:

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| Commissioner Roberts | Affirmative |
| Commissioner Rester  | Affirmative |
| Commissioner Simpson | Affirmative |
| Commissioner Knesal  | Negative    |

*Commissioner Norris recused himself from the following agenda item:*

Commissioner Simpson moved to approve payment of \$217,850.00 to Yates Anderson JV (under Restoration Agreement Request #80) for a total of \$4,108,165.26. Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Rester moved to approve the following progress payments: BMA (\$43,477.08); Continental Construction (\$854,952.50); L&A Contracting (\$646,320.13); QES, Inc. (\$9,792.00). Commissioner Knesal seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

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Commissioner Rester moved to approve Amendment No. 5 to Task Order No. 12 under Contract No. 010-HUD-002 with Thompson Engineering. Amendment No. 5 reallocates funds between tasks and does not change the overall Task Order scope, schedule or costs. Commissioner Roberts seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Rester moved to approve Amendment No. 2 to Task Order No. 14 under Contract No. 010-HUD-002 with Thompson Engineering. Amendment No. 2 increases costs by \$12,013.82 and extends the task order by 140 days. Commissioner Roberts seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Rester moved to approve Change Order No. 6 under Contract No. 013-HUD-018 with L&A Contracting Co. Change Order No. 6 increases costs by \$430,525.67 with no change in schedule. Commissioner Roberts seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

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Commissioner Rester moved to approve a least extension with Hancock Bank for 8th floor space. The term is March 1, 2015 through February 28, 2016, with an option to renew for an additional year. Commissioner Simpson seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Rester moved to approve an investment sale of approximately \$8 million in funds for contractual commitments. Commissioner Roberts seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Simpson moved to table a Memorandum of Understanding between MSPA and MDA until more information is available. Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

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Commissioner Roberts moved to close the meeting to determine the need for Executive Session. Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Simpson moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss a Legal Matter (lease negotiations). Commissioner Roberts seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

(THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT APPROXIMATELY 4:35 P.M.)

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Commissioner Rester stated that no action took place in Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:15 p.m.

Approved and Attested

  
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*Jack Norris, President*

  
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*Robert J. Knesal, Secretary*