

ILLINOIS INTERNATIONAL PORT DISTRICT

Record of Proceedings of the REGULAR BOARD MEETING

March 14, 2008

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois International Port District was held Friday, March 14, at 9:30 a.m., at the office of the Illinois International Port District, 3600 E. 95th St., Chicago, Illinois and was presided over by Chairman William Braasch. William Dart, Secretary, called the roll, and the following Directors were present: William Murphy, Samuel Evans, Daniel Alvarez, Terry Fitzmaurice, and Dean Maragos. Mr. Capparelli was present via teleconference, and Mr. Bowen and Mr. Jenkins were absent. Secretary Dart reported that the Chairman was present and a quorum was present.

Also present: Anthony G. Ianello, Executive Director; George Braam, Kudrna & Associates, Ltd; James McConnell, Neal & Leroy, LLC; and Kurt Oelerich, Treasurer

General public present: None

Board Meeting Minutes – February 15, 2007

The Minutes of the February 15, 2007 Board Meeting were presented, and a Motion was made by Mr. Fitzmaurice and seconded by Mr. Evans for approval of the Minutes. The Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Executive Committee

No meeting was held.

Agreements and Leases Committee

Mr. Ianello reported on the Minutes of the Agreements and Leases Committee meeting held on March 11, 2008.

Homeland Security Committee

Mr. Braam reported that after nearly twelve months we have finally received notice to proceed with projects earmarked for the 2006 grant award monies. We will be meeting with Siemens to commence the \$4.5 million dollar project, 75% of which will be paid by grant funds and 25% by Port District funds.

A new entrance gate has been constructed at Iroquois Landing using State ITTF funds of just under \$17,000; and the FY2008 Port Security Grant Program has allocated \$6.2 million for the Southern Lake Michigan Region. Mr. Ianello stated that hopefully we will

prevail in our application for funds from this grant, however there will be a lot of competition.

Mr. Maragos questioned a reference to environmental issues and was informed that the National Environmental Protection Agency has confirmed a categorical exclusion of our property indicating that none of our projects negatively affect the environment, nor does our property have any other environmental restrictions attached to it. Mr. Maragos also suggested that we pursue funds that are available for certain environmental programs. Chairman Braasch agreed that this would be a good course.

Finance and Personnel Committee

Treasurer Oelerich reported on the Minutes of the Finance and Personnel Committee Meeting of March 11, 2008 where the Port income statement, Harborside income statement, consolidated income statement, balance sheet, and check register for the month of February, 2007 were presented to the Board for review and discussion. A Motion was made by Mr. Alvarez and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the financial reports. The Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Oelerich once again reported that the Port is experiencing favorable results due to the continuing decline of the federal interest rate since the beginning of the year. We budgeted for a 4% best rate plus 1% fees, and we are now right around 2%.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Items of interest were presented including a SETF publication presenting erroneous information regarding the development of Lake Calumet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A Motion was made by Mr. Fitzmaurice and seconded by Mr. Evans to enter into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. The Motion passed unanimously.

Following a lengthy discussion, a Motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Evans to exit the Executive Session. The Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will take place on Friday, April 18, 2008.

There being no further business, a Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Evans, and passed unanimously.

William J. Braasch
Chairman

William F. Dart
Secretary