



## Upper Mississippi River International Port District

18901 B St, Savanna, IL

### BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: February 9th, 2025

Time: 13:00 CDT

Location: Board Room  
3651 Crim Drive  
Savanna, IL 61074

#### **I. Call to Order**

A roll call was held. Commissioners Steve Keeffer, Ken Sandy, Jeff Doran and Tim Wand were present.

A quorum was met.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm.

Guests in attendance were Sara Renkes (Carroll County Engineer), Amiee Martelle (Riverport Railroad), Scott Sigmann (EASE), Linda Balcom (Balcom Environmental) and Julie Bickelhaupt (Carroll County Board Chair).

#### **II. Approval of the Agenda**

**Commissioner Sandy motioned to approve the meeting agenda, seconded by Commissioner Wand, approved by voice vote unanimously.**

#### **III. Approval of January Meeting Minutes**

**Commissioner Doran motioned to approve the January meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Sandy, approved by voice vote unanimously.**

#### IV. On-Going Business

- A. **Port Master Plan Update** – Ms. Roche noted that a master planning meeting was held earlier the morning of February 6th. A Technical Advisory Committee meeting would be held in March, as well as a public meeting following the TAC meeting.
  
- B. **Capital Improvement Program** – Mr. Keeffer noted an initial distribution check for the CIP grant had been received. The CIP funds will be deposited with a bank in Savanna. Mr. Keeffer outlined the processes and approved uses for the funds, noting that IL Dept of Transportation processes would have to be followed.

#### V. New Business

- A. Meeting Date Change to First Thursday of the Month – Mr. Davies wanted to know if the meeting could be moved to the day following the LRA board meeting, from the last Thursday of the month, to the first Thursday following the scheduled LRA meeting date.

**Mr. Keeffer made the motion to change the UMRIPD meeting date to the first Thursday after the first Wednesday of the month. Mr. Wand seconded. The motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.**

#### VI. Reports

- A. **Secretary.** None.
  
- B. **Treasurer.** Commissioner Sandy presented his report. And added that the CIP would be deposited in a new checking account.
  
- C. **Jo-Carroll Local Redevelopment Authority.** Ms. Roche noted that the LRA had received a \$3-million grant for natural gas distribution at the site.

#### VII. Public Comment

Ms. Martelle noted that there is increased activity and interest in railcar storage.

#### VIII. Adjournment

**Commissioner Doran moved, seconded by Commissioner Wand, to adjourn at 1:23 pm CDT, unanimously approved by voice vote.**