



Upper Mississippi River International Port District

18901 B St, Savanna, IL

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: July 25th, 2024

Time: 13:00 CDT

Location: Board Room
3651 Crim Drive
Savanna, IL 61074

I. Call to Order

A roll call was held. Steve Keeffer, Jeff Doran and Ken Sandy were present. Tim Wand was present via Zoom. A quorum was met.

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

Guests in attendance were Linda Balcom (Balcom Environmental), Dennis Wilmsmeyer (America's Central Port), Bob Sinkler (Corn Belt Ports), David Schmit (NWILED) and Amiee Martelle (Riverport Railroad), Scott Sigman (EADS).

The LRA board of directors was present at the meeting as the LRA meeting would be held concurrently with the UMRIPD meeting.

II. Approval of the Agenda

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

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Doran motioned to approve the June 13th meeting minutes. Commissioner Keeffer seconded. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

IV. On-Going Business

- A. **Port Master Plan Update** – Mr. Keeffer noted that the Master Planning process was proceeding. A meeting with Alan Meyers of WSP was being planned for the following week.

- B. **Capital Improvement Program** – Mr. Keeffer noted that the revised agreement was being reviewed by Central Office in Springfield.

V. New Business

- A. Port of Louisiana Agreement: Corn Belt Ports - Bob Sinkler of Corn Belt Ports made a presentation to the board about an opportunity to partner with Corn Belt Ports on a strategic agreement with the Ports of Louisiana.

VI. Reports

- A. **Secretary.** None.

- B. **Treasurer.** Commissioner Sandy presented his report. He noted that an additional signatory would need to be added. **Mr. Doran made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keeffer to approve the Secretary's Report. The motion passed.**

- C. **Jo-Carroll Local Redevelopment Authority.** Ms. Balcom of Balcom Environmental made a presentation to the board regarding creating a Sustainable Industrial Overlay for the Savanna Industrial Park property. **Mr. Doran made a motion to authorize Balcom Environmental to proceed with investigating the creation of a Sustainability Overlay District for the site. Mr. Sandy seconded.**

VII. Public Comment

None.

VIII. Adjournment

Commissioner Doran moved, seconded by Commissioner Sandy, to adjourn at 14:02 CDT, unanimously approved by voice vote.