

PORT OF OSWEGO AUTHORITY
Regular Meeting, February 13, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Cosemento called the meeting to order at 4:37pm.

PRESENT: Francis Enwright-Chairperson on Zoom; Constance Cosemento-Vice Chairperson; Ranjit Dighe-Secretary/Treasurer; Stanley Delia, Kathleen Macey, John Kares Smith, Tom Schneider, and William Scriber-Executive Director

ALSO PRESENT: Pat McMahon-Supervisor of Development & Maintenance, Debbie Godden-Accounting Manager, Dr. Morgan and Mercedes Niess, H. Lee White Maritime Museum and Trustee.

ABSENT: Diane Zeller

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion 02-13-2301: A motion was made by Mr. Delia to move to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2023 meeting. Motion was seconded by Ms. Macey. Motion passed. 6-Aye, Nay-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONAL REPORT

Mr. William Scriber, Executive Director presented the Administrative Operational Report to the Board and addressed any questions or comments.

Report Topics:

Monthly operations update – January 2023

Update on projects:

- West Dock still awaiting environmental approval from NYSDEC
- Goble Marina Project-docks have been approved, construction end of May, power pedestals & remodel restrooms
- Inter Lake Container project discussion is still ongoing
- Great Lakes Port Association phone call & aluminum studies funded by USDOT
- Break Wall Projects – funding for approximately \$17 million passed & expected to begin in 2024
- Continued effort to locate a tug company for the Oswego Harbor; there are grant opportunities (US Marine Highway Program)
- Conversation with a representative from U.S. Congresswoman Claudia Tenney’s office; Mr. McMahon gave tour of the Port to Dan Martini. Possible visit from Congresswoman Tenney in the spring.
- Met with Centerstate CEO; will be more active in communications
- Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) is active & advertising for use
- Met with USDOT Seaway Business Development representatives (Department of Marine Transportation)

ADMINISTRATIVE FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion 02-13-2302: A motion was made by Mr. Schneider to accept the January Primary and Subsidiary Financial Reports. Seconded by Ms. Macey. Motion passed. 6-Aye Nay-0.

Primary Financial Reports

Cash Position
Balance Sheet
Profit & Loss Statement

Subsidiary Financial Reports

Monthly Bills
Accounts payable
Accounts Receivable
Loan Summary
Schedule of Assets
Sales Report

Chairman's Report: Mr. Enwright, Chairperson. Mr. Enwright has been keeping in contact with Mr. Scriber. Positive attempts to get a tug boat at the Port. It will increase the amount of ships to the Port.

Committee Reports:

Executive Committee: Ms. Cosemento traveled to Albany, NY with Mr. Scriber to the Governor's Chamber. It was an opportunity to showcase the Port. Shared the Port's history, visions, growth, and grant awards. Spoke about the need for money for the matches to the large grants, the anticipated work with Enron and the transportation of materials. Attended Senator Mannion's open house. Mr. Enwright commented on Ms. Cosemento's report and how the press releases are working; he is getting input from Florida citizens.

Audit and Finance Committee: Mr. Schneider will call meeting for budget and policy review.

Governance Committee: Mr. Kares Smith is still awaiting attorney advisement in regards to adding two well-established procedures that should appear in the employee benefit handbook.

Planning and Development Committee: Dr. Dighe had meeting with members of the Marine Museum.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- SEQR for the RV Park. Mr. Scriber explained the NYS DEC SEQR manual, and the differences between negative (which is required for the project) and positive declarations. Would like to bring to a vote in next month's meeting.

- Mercedes Niess with the H. Lee White Maritime Museum explained the project and a federal grant from "Save America's Treasures". Grant money will equal almost \$900,000 for the LT-5 Tug Boat for a study, to take vessel out of the water, and transport it to a ship yard. Dr. Morgan spoke about how the LT-5 Tug was a combat vessel and how the vessel will have to be dewatered to see the condition it is in. Partnership between the Port and the Museum was discussed. Mr. Enwright commented on Dr.

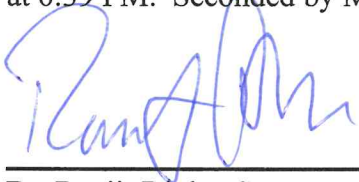
Morgan's concern for the tug sinking, and that the timing of the grant is good. The tug needs to be placed in a permanent position at the Museum. Review of a Memorandum of Understanding: It was also discussed that members of the Museum and the Port meet once a month instead of quarterly while this grant project was taking place.

- **Motion 02-13-2303:** Motion to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between H. Lee White Marine Museum and Port of Oswego Authority, regarding the LT-5 Tug, contingent upon Port attorney's review was made by Mr. Schneider. Seconded by Mr. Delia. Passed. 6-Aye, Nay-0.

Motion 02-13-2304: A motion was made by Mr. Kares Smith and seconded by Ms. Macey to enter executive session at 5:30pm. Motion passed. 6-Aye, 0-Nay.

Motion 02-13-2305: A motion was made by Mr. Kares Smith, and seconded by Dr. Dighe to resume regular session at 6:38pm. Motion passed. 6-Aye, 0-Nay.

Motion 02-13-2306: A motion was made by Dr. Dighe to adjourn the regular monthly meeting at 6:39 PM. Seconded by Ms. Macey. 6-Aye, 0-Nay.



Dr. Ranjit Dighe, Secretary/Treasurer