

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA  
COMMISSION HELD AT THE PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2026**

**ITEM 1-CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Murray called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**ITEM 2-ROLL CALL**

Present: Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert,  
Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray

Absent: Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Scontrino led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM 4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Joseph and seconded by Commissioner Bazile that the incumbent officers remain in their offices.

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 24, 2026**

This item was deferred.

**ITEM 6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Julia Fisher Cormier provided the Executive Director's Report, a copy attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:6.

**ITEM 7. PORT PROJECTS REPORT**

Rebecca Davezac-Howell provided a report.

**ITEM 8. FINANCIAL REPORT – FEBRUARY 28, 2026**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner LeBlanc and seconded by Commissioner Dumas to Resolve that the payment of invoices submitted as Vendor Check Register Report 02/01/2026 - 02/28/2026, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 4/28/26:8, be, and the same is hereby ratified and approved. After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 9. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments.

**ITEM 10. NEW BUSINESS**

**ITEM 10A. CONSIDER RESOLUTION FURTHER WAIVING THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE PORT'S ORGANIZATION CHART TO BE EFFECTIVE AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

**WHEREAS**, the Executive Director of the Port is statutorily authorized to employ officers, agents, and employees as specified in one of the Port's enabling statutes, La. R.S. 34:2473B(3);

**WHEREAS**, Article VIII(B)(1)(b) of the Port's Bylaws requires the Executive Director to provide a written copy of the Organizational Chart to each Commissioner each fiscal year for budgetary purposes;

**WHEREAS**, the Port's Bylaws provide that amendments to the Port's Organizational Chart shall become effective only after the Commissioners have received forty-five (45) days' written notice thereof;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission appointed a new Executive Director in January who has been making changes for efficient operations that require modifications to the Port's Organizational Chart;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission at its January 12, 2026 meeting adopted a Resolution waiving the forty-five (45) days' written notice requirement in this instance so that changes to the Port's Organizational Chart desired by the new Executive Director may become effective without delay;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission desires to further extend that exemption from the the forty-five (45) days' written notice requirement so that changes to the Port's Organizational Chart desired by the new Executive Director may become effective without delay;

**NOW THEREFORE** a Motion was offered by Commissioner Scontrino and seconded by Commissioner Joseph that the Port of South Louisiana adopt the following Resolution:

**RESOLVED** that the Port of South Louisiana does hereby extend its January 12, 2026 Resolution waiving the forty-five (45) days' written notice requirement set forth in Article VIII(B)(1)(b) of its Bylaws (related to changes made to the Port's Organizational Chart by the new Executive Director) to July 15, 2026 and until July 15, 2026 changes to the Port's Organizational Chart by the Executive Director shall become effective as of the date of the change provided that the Executive Director shall send reasonable notice to the Commission of all changes.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10B. CONSIDER ADOPTING BUDGET FY MAY 1, 2026-APRIL 30, 2027 AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner LeBlanc and seconded by Commissioner Scontrino that the Port of South Louisiana adopt the Budget for FY May 1, 2026- April 30, 2027, which Budget was recommended to be approved by the Finance Committee.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10C. CONSIDER INSURANCE RENEWALS FOR MAY 1, 2026-APRIL 30, 2027 AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner LeBlanc and seconded by Commissioner Hebert to Resolve to hereby adopt the Insurance Program for FY May 1, 2026-April 30, 2027, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:10C.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10D. CONSIDER AGENCY PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH OFFICE OF DEBT RECOVERY, LA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Joseph and seconded by Commissioner Dumas to hereby Resolve to hereby authorize Agency Participation Agreement with the Office of Debt Recovery, Louisiana Department of Revenue, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:10D; and, further that its Executive Director be, and she is hereby, authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute any and all documents to effect the foregoing.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10E. CONSIDER CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH CORNERSTONE FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner LeBlanc and seconded by Commissioner Hebert to Resolve to hereby authorize the renewal of the Cornerstone “Service Agreement”, a copy which is attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:10E; and, further, that its Executive Director be, and she is hereby,

authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute any and all documents to effect the foregoing.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10F. CONSIDER AWARDING RIVER ROAD ENTRANCE-EXIT PROJECT AND OTHER MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Dumas to hereby Resolve to award River Road Entrance-Exit Project to Kass Bros., Inc. for the base bid of \$144,140.00 (a copy of the Engineer's Recommendation Letter is hereby attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:10F); and further, that its Executive Director be, and she is hereby, authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute any and all documents to effect the foregoing.

After discussion, the motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10G. RATIFICATION OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 ACCESS ROAD BETWEEN BUILDINGS 71 AND 76 AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Burks and seconded by Commissioner Joseph authorizing the Port of South Louisiana to Resolve to hereby ratify Change Order No. 4 to the project, a copy of which is hereby attached as 4/28/26:10G; and further, that its Executive Director be, and that she is hereby, authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute any and all documents to effect the foregoing and related matters.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
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**NAYS**        None  
**ABSTAIN**    None  
**ABSENT**     Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10H. CONSIDER RESOLUTION OF FINAL ACCEPTANCE RESERVE GRAIN ELEVATOR UNDER DOCK REFURBISHMENT AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS PENDING PORT PRIORITY PROGRAM APPROVAL**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Burks and seconded by Commissioner Bazile to hereby adopt a Resolution of Final Acceptance Reserve Grain Elevator under dock refurbishment, a copy which is attached hereto as Exhibit 4/28/26:10H.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

**YEAS**        Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray  
**NAYS**        None  
**ABSTAIN**    None  
**ABSENT**     Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10I. RATIFICATION OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 NATCO RETROFIT ROOF PROJECT AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Burks and seconded by Commissioner LeBlanc that the Port of South Louisiana Resolve to hereby ratify Change Order No.1 Natco retrofit roof project, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:10I; and that its Executive Director be, and she is hereby, authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute any and all documents to effect the foregoing and related matters.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

**YEAS**        Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray  
**NAYS**        None  
**ABSTAIN**    None  
**ABSENT**     Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10J. CONSIDER KUTCHINS & GROH PROPOSAL FOR PROJECT PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH PORT OF SOUTH LA EXECUTIVE REGIONAL AIRPORT NEW TERMINAL PROJECT AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Scontrino and seconded by Commissioner Joseph to Resolve to hereby authorize Kutchins and Groh Work Authorization, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:10J; and that its Executive Director be, and she is hereby, authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute any and all documents to effect the foregoing and related matters.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10K. CONSIDER RATIFICATION OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 HANGAR DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Scontrino and seconded by Commissioner Dumas that the Port of South Louisiana Resolve to hereby ratify Change Order No.1 Hangar Development Project, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:10K; and that its Executive Director be, and she is hereby, authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute any and all documents to effect the foregoing and related matters.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10L. CONSIDER SHREAD KUYRKENDALL TASK ORDER NO. 6- RUNWAY 17-35 OBSTRUCTION REMOVAL & ENBANKMENT AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN**

**WORK AND ANCILLARY SERVICES TO EXTEND RUNWAY AND OTHER MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Scontrino and seconded by Commissioner Joseph to Resolve to hereby authorize Shread Kuykendall Task Order No. 6, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:10L; and that its Executive Director be, and she is hereby, authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute any and all documents to effect the foregoing and related matters.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10M. CONSIDER MEYERS ENGINEERS + ARCHITECT TASK ORDER NO.2-AMENDMENT 1 GUESTHOUSE RESTORATION AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Dumas to Resolve to hereby authorize Meyers Engineers + Architect Task Order No. 2, Amendment I, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:10M; and that its Executive Director be, and she is hereby, authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute any and all documents to effect the foregoing and related matters.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**ITEM 10N. CONSIDER RFQ POST HURRICANE DISASTER RECOVERY SERVICES AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Joseph and seconded by Commissioner Scontrino to Resolve to hereby authorize the advertisement of Request for Proposal for Post Hurricane

Disaster Recovery Services, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 4/28/26:10N; and that its Executive Director be, and she is hereby, authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute any and all documents to effect the foregoing and related matters.

After discussion, the Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: PURSUANT TO LA. R.S. 42:17(A)(2) THE COMMISSION SHALL MEET WITH ITS LEGAL COUNSEL WITH RESPECT TO RURAL ROOTS LOUISIANA ET AL V. THE PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA, CASE NO. C-85336 "A" ON THE DOCKET TO THE 40<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Joseph to enter Executive Session. Invitees: Julia Fisher-Cormier, Brian Cox, Rebecca Howell, Attorney Peter Butler, Jr. and Attorney Troy Villa. Time: 9:27 a.m.

The Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	None
<b>ABSENT</b>	Mr. Duhé

A Motion to exit Executive Session was offered by Commissioner Joseph and seconded by Commission Dumas. Time: 9:54 a.m.

The Motion was called to a vote, which was as follows:

<b>YEAS</b>	Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray
<b>NAYS</b>	None

**ABSTAIN** None

**ABSENT** Mr. Duhé

No action taken.

**ITEM 11. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COMMISSIONER REMARKS**

No reports or remarks.

**ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT**

A Motion was offered by Commissioner LeBlanc and seconded by Commissioner Hebert to adjourn the meeting.

**YEAS** Mr. Bazile, Mr. Burks, Mr. Scontrino, Ms. Dumas, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Hebert, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Murray

**NAYS** None

**ABSTAIN** None

**ABSENT** Mr. Duhé

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Stanley C. Bazile  
Secretary

P. Joey Murray, III  
Chairman

May 26, 2026