

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
Jacksonville Port Authority  
2831 Talleyrand Avenue  
August 28, 2017**

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A meeting of the Jacksonville Port Authority Board of Directors was held on Monday, August 28, 2017 at the Port Central Office Building, 2831 Talleyrand Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida. Chairman Citrano called the meeting to order at 10:07AM and welcomed all attendees. Mr. Ed Fleming led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

Board Members Attending:

Mr. Jim Citrano, Chairman  
Mr. Ed Fleming, Vice Chairman  
Mr. John Falconetti, Treasurer  
Mr. John Baker, Secretary  
Mr. Joe York, Member  
Dr. John A. Newman, Member  
Mr. Jamie Shelton, Member

Other Attendees:

Mr. Eric Green, Interim CEO  
Mr. Roy Schleicher, Executive VP, Chief Commercial Officer  
Mr. Chris Kauffmann, Chief Operating Officer  
Mr. Mike Poole, Chief Financial Officer  
Ms. Becky Dicks, Board Liaison

**Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Citrano called for approval of the June 26, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes. After a motion by Mr. York and a second by Mr. Falconetti, the Board unanimously approved the minutes as submitted.

**Public Comments**

Chairman Citrano called for comments from the public. There being none, he moved on to Presentations.

**Presentations**

A mosaic art piece created by City Kids Art Factory, an afterschool educational and arts program for inner city children ages 8-17, was presented to JAXPORT from City Kids Art Factory President Ms. Patricia Hicks Harley.

The following JAXPORT employees were recognized for reaching their anniversary milestones and thanked for their dedicated service:

Donnie Effler, Building Maintenance Foreman, Engineering - 30 years  
Thomas Lane, Auto/CAD Mapping Specialist, Engineering – 10 years  
Louis Naranjo, Director of Procurement Services & Contracts – 15 years

### **New Business**

#### **BD2017-08-01 Joint Participation Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for Blount Island & Talleyrand Marine Terminal**

Mr. Mike Poole presented this submission for Board approval of a joint participation agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for improvements at Blount Island and Talleyrand Marine Terminals.

After a motion was made by Dr. Newman and a second by Mr. York, the Board voted unanimously to approve this submission.

#### **BD2017-08-02 External Auditor**

Mr. Mike Poole presented this submission for Board approval of a contract with Certified Public Accounting firm RSM, US, LLP for external auditing services.

After a motion was made by Mr. Fleming and a second by Mr. York, the Board voted unanimously to approve this submission.

### **Interim CEO Report**

Mr. Green stated that the port has received a good endorsement on our harbor deepening project from the Florida Times Union Editorial Board which a tremendous milestone for us. He stated that we also received a commitment from the Mayor, and Mr. Green wanted to thank him publicly for his commitment towards our project as we continue to move forward and work with him and his team.

Mr. Green stated that about a week ago he took the port's budget to the Finance Committee, and he was successful in moving the port's budget through the Finance Committee after about an hour and a half of debate and discussion. He looks forward to JAXPORT's budget moving on to the full City Council and being voted on at the end of September.

Mr. Green stated that last Wednesday he was accompanied by Mr. Falconetti and they traveled to Washington, D.C. to meet with the decision makers as it pertains to funding. He stated that they had a very good discussion with the USACE at their headquarters. Mr. Green thinks it was a successful meeting in getting a better understanding of where the funding lies and where it is headed. There was no commitment of funding, but he thinks the meeting went well.

Mr. Falconetti stated that he felt encouraged and more optimistic than ever that we have a great partnership with the federal government and the USACE and the current administration. He thought it was a great meeting as well.

Mr. Green informed the Board that he would be traveling to Cocoa Beach today along with David Kaufman and Mike Poole to attend the Florida Ports Council Fall Board meeting where all of the Florida ports will be represented. There will be lots of discussion at this meeting about the annual appropriation that is received from the State Legislature to the Florida Ports Council, so he is hoping to come back with funds that help the port on the capital side of the house. He will proceed from Cocoa Beach over to Orlando to fly back to D.C. Mr. Green received a special invitation from the White House to attend a presentation and roundtable discussion with U.S. Secretary of Transportation, Elaine Chao, Mr. Mick Mulvaney, who is the OMB Director, and Mr. D.J. Gribbin, who is a Special Assistant to the President for Infrastructure Policy. He stated that JAXPORT is one of only two ports that have received this invitation and he is looking forward to attending this meeting.

Mr. Green then introduced JAXPORT's new in-house counsel Mr. Gilbert Feltel. He also thanked Board Member Joe York for sitting on the evaluation committee regarding this position.

### **Reports**

#### **R2017-08-01 Engineering and Construction Update**

Mr. Chris Kauffmann provided an overview of the key capital and engineering projects.

#### **R2017-08-02 Monthly Financials/Vital Statistics**

Mr. Michael Poole provided an overview of the monthly financials and vital statistics.

Chairman Citrano recognized Congressman John Rutherford who stopped in the Board meeting before his port tour. Congressman Rutherford stated that JAXPORT is often mentioned in his talking points wherever he goes because he understands the importance of this port to the future of Jacksonville and the nation. He stated that he is a great partner and advocate for JAXPORT and to please let him know if there is anything he can do for JAXPORT.

#### **R2017-08-03 Business Development Report**

Mr. Roy Schleicher provided a business development update.

### **Other Business**

After a motion by Mr. York and a second by Mr. Falconetti, the Board unanimously approved travel by one or more Board Members of the Authority for business solicitation purposes or to attend any necessary conferences and/or meetings during the months of August/September 2017.

### **Miscellaneous**

There were no emergency purchases or unbudgeted transactions.

There being no further business of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:06AM.