

**PUBLIC BELT RAILROAD COMMISSION
CITY OF NEW ORLEANS
PUBLIC BELT RAILROAD BUILDING
4822 TCHOUPITOULAS STREET
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
JANUARY 24, 2017**

The Meeting of the Public Belt Railroad Commission was held this date at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayors Representative Ryan Berni, Commissioners Arata, Chase,
Frierson, James and Sloss (6)

ABSENT: Commissioners Baptiste, Casbon, Francis and Schulingkamp (4)

Doug Campbell, Interim Chief Executive Officer; Erica Beck, Senior Vice President & General Counsel; Dennis Lafont, Vice President of Finance; Carl Kocur, Vice President of Engineering; Mike McMillan, Vice President of Mechanical; Scott Richoux, Director of Special Projects; Shawn Blanchard, Vice President of Transportation; Claudia Simmons, Manager of Finance; Jared Sleeth, Director of Business Development; Scott Cole, Manager of IT; Billy App, Kristi App, J.W. Allen & Co.; Brett Bourgeois, Port of New Orleans; and other members of the public as well as NOPB employees were also present.

Commissioner Sloss called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Sloss reported that the Minutes of the Commission Meeting held December 15, 2016, have been transcribed and submitted to the Commission and requested approval of the minutes.

On motion by Commissioner Chase, seconded by Commissioner James, the Commission unanimously approved the minutes of the Commission Meeting held December 15, 2016.

In accordance with NOPB's employee of the month recognition plan, Mr. Kocur, Vice President of Engineering, recognized employee Sue Gainey, Clerical Department. The Commission thanked Mrs. Gainey, who will be retiring with 41 years of service, for her dedication to the NOPB.

Mr. Lafont reported the financial results for December 2016, which included Statement of Operations, Operating Revenue, Operating Expenses, Budget Variances and Summary of Net Assets. Mr. Lafont talked about the car shop revenue, labor expense, storage and receivables.

Report of the CEO – Mr. Campbell reported the CEO report outlining the monthly financials, business development opportunities, operational fluidity, dwell, and on-time performance, capital improvement projects, car shop repairs, locomotive availability, HR workforce status, safety & training status, and executed contracts.

Unfinished Business – Mr. Berni gave an update stating that the RFQ had been released. He also stated that Class One Railroads are not eligible to bid. There will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting on 2/1/17 for questions. There were discussions of NOPB Real Estate and other NOPB assets.

New Business – None

Public Comment – Public asked for assistance in train horns blowing at late hours.

The next meeting of the Public Belt Railroad Commission is Monday, March 6, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Sloss asked for a motion for adjournment.

On Motion by the Commissioner James, seconded by Mayor's Representative Berni, and without any objection, the meeting was adjourned.