

**PUBLIC BELT RAILROAD COMMISSION  
CITY OF NEW ORLEANS  
PUBLIC BELT RAILROAD BUILDING  
4822 TCHOUPITOULAS STREET  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA  
MARCH 23, 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, Casbon, Chase, Francis, James and Sloss (7)

**ABSENT:** Commissioners Baptiste, Frierson and Schulingkamp (3)

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; Claudia Simmons, Manager of Finance; Jared Sleeth, Director of Business Development; Leroy Hensley, Superintendent of Transportation; Kevin Walters, Manager of Mechanical; Rachel Zimmerle, Director of Human Resources; Billy App, J.W. Allen & Co.; Stephen Champagne, Gulf Gateway Terminal; Gerard Gaudet, Adams & Reese; Raoul Chauvin, Infinity; Richard Thompson, The Advocate; 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 January 24, 2017, have been transcribed and submitted to the Commission and requested approval of the minutes.

On motion by Commissioner Chase, seconded by Commissioner Casbon, the Commission unanimously approved the minutes of the Commission Meeting held January 24, 2017.

In accordance with NOPB's employee of the month recognition plan, Mr. Hensley, Superintendent of Transportation, recognized employee Sean LeBlanc, Transportation Department. Mr. LeBlanc has been recognized for being a leader who is highly motivated and who has exceeded all expectations.

Mr. Lafont reported the financial results for February 2017, which included Statement of Operations, Budget Variances and Summary of Net Assets. Mr. Lafont talked about the consolidation of the bridge and belt, car shop materials and revenue, bridge depreciation, labor expense, switching, demurrage versus car hire, equipment 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 a KPMG update stating that there were five responses to the RFQ and that there will be five members chosen for the selection committee. Once the five members are determined, a date will be chosen for the selection committee to meet.

New Business – Mrs. Beck stated ways to file the Tier 2.1 Personal Financial Disclosure Louisiana Board of Ethics.

Mr. Berni gave an update on the Ferry Terminal at Canal Street. The City will build a new pedestrian bridge.

Public Comment – Mr. Billy App mentioned the passing of Commissioner Schulingkamp's aunt, Mrs. Maher, who was once a Commissioner of the NOPB.

The next meeting of the Public Belt Railroad Commission is Thursday April 27, 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.