

**Upper Mississippi River International Port District  
Board of Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 1:00 PM  
Upper Campus Building 21  
Savanna Depot Park  
Savanna IL 61075**

- Approved 2-12-2014  
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1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 1:06 PM
  2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
  3. **Roll Call:** Present, Co-Chair Bill Jahnke, Treasurer, Kevin Stier, Kurt Brunner, Secretary, Jim Francis. Absent with notice, Skip Schwerdtfeger. Also present, Dave Albee, Ole Pace, Lisa Mc Carthy, Amy Martelle, Theresa Wittenauer, Bruce Radke.
  4. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Stier to approve with the addition of Surplus Property to Old Business as g), second by Brunner. All Aye.
  5. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Brunner to accept with correction of last word in TCEDA paragraph as noted. Second by Stier. All Aye
  6. **Treasurer's Report:** Brunner moved to accept report as presented showing a checking account balance of \$2075.16. Second by Francis. All Aye.
  7. **Public Comment:** Co-Pak representative Ole Pace said he appreciated the attendance of everyone and noted there were many prospects available in the area.
  8. **Old Business:**
    - a) **Sunflower:** Kevin stated that Marcus Murphy hoped to attend our next meeting and that they are waiting on their interior time frame.
    - b) **Savanna Depot Park:** Kevin made three calls to MARAD. Ole stated he has been able to work with the Army on individual clean-ups. It was also noted that there were no land transfers last year.
    - c) **Grant Research:** Theresa Wittenauer from Blackhawk Hills Regional council discussed preparing for our application for a Technical Assistance/Planning Study Grant from the EDA. Theresa spoke with Kelly from EDA who said that monies may become available in March or April. Our focus would be on what sites along the Mississippi would be the most suitable to develop a public port. Grant size could be in the range of 100-150 thousand dollars. She said it is the port district's responsibility to decide if this study would be beneficial for the area. Several sites should be compared and eventually ranked for further development. Theresa requested a cost estimate for the study that possibly would limit study to two possible sites. She also stated that University of Wisconsin may be looking for a project this fall that could include site analysis.
    - d) **Marketing Analysis Plan:** Nothing new at this time.

- e) **Application Form:** Motion by Kurt to adopt as presented. Second by Stier. All Aye.
- f) **Campbell Center:** An update was read from Marty Mulcahey describing the position of AQS. Lisa McCarthy stated that an architect has done an evaluation and determined that it would be more cost efficient to raze the dorms and construct new facilities.
- g) **Surplus Property CMS:** Motion by Jim and second by Kurt for Bill to complete the application form.

**9) New Business:**

- a) **Inland Rivers Ports and Terminals** requested us to attend the Upper Mississippi River Basin Meeting if possible. Determined no one was available at this time.
- b) **Discussion to send someone to Washington DC:** To attend the National Maritime Symposium and to accompany Dennis Wilmsmeyer while he meets with several Legislative leaders. Kurt made a motion with a second by Kevin to send Jim and to reimburse him for expenses with an amount not to exceed \$700.00. All Aye.
- c) **Acceptance of Business/ Office Space:** No one was present from IITC therefore, discussion was tabled.

**10) Report of Chair:** None at this time.

**11) Committee Reports:** Some discussion held regarding the Prairie Ridge Development.

**12) Adjournment:** Motion by Jim to adjourn at 3:15 PM, second by Kurt. All Aye.