

The Portsmouth Port and Industrial Commission

April 27, 2021

Electronic Meeting via GoToMeeting

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Angelia Allen
Amira Bethea
Arnette McSwain
Bracey Parr
Oralennys Pena
Sarah Rogers Garner

ALSO PRESENT:

Robert Moore - Secretary
Brian Donahue – Assistant Secretary
Jeff Miller – Deputy City Attorney
Kelsey Swieringa – Assistant City Attorney
Patti Phillips – Finance Dept.

GUESTS:

Chris Gullickson- Port of Virginia
Thomas Cross – Port of Virginia

Due to the novel coronavirus pandemic, this PPIC meeting was held electronically via GoToMeeting pursuant to Ordinance No. 2020-102; each Commissioner attended the meeting electronically.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m. Mr. Moore stated that the meeting was being held electronically, and identified the notices provided to the public to access the meeting.

Mrs. Phillips reviewed the Financial Statement for March 31, 2021. It was agreed to file March 31, 2021 statement for audit.

ACTION: On a motion by Ms. Rogers Garner and seconded by Ms. Bethea, the Commissioners approved the minutes from the February 23, 2021 meeting as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Ms. Allen-yes; Ms. Bethea- yes; Ms. McSwain-yes; Mr. Parr- yes; Ms. Pena- yes; Ms. Rogers Garner-yes.

Mr. Moore instructed the new commissioners on the process to elect new officers.

ACTION: On a motion by Mr. Parr to have the officers elected at this meeting serve through June 30, 2021 and then for an additional two year term ending June 30, 2023 and seconded by Ms. Rogers Garner, the Commissioners approved the motion by a vote of 6-0.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Allen-yes; Ms. Bethea- yes; Ms. McSwain-yes; Mr. Parr- yes; Ms. Pena- yes; Ms. Rogers Garner-yes.

Ms. Rogers Garner nominated Ms. Allen to serve as Chair.

ACTION: The Commissioners elected Ms. Rogers Garner to the position of Chair by a vote of 6-0.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Allen-yes; Ms. Bethea- yes; Ms. McSwain-yes; Mr. Parr- yes; Ms. Pena- yes; Ms. Rogers Garner-yes.

Ms. McSwain nominated Mr. Parr to serve as Vice Chair, but Mr. Parr declined the nomination.

Mr. Parr nominated Ms. Rogers Garner to serve as Vice Chair.

Ms. Bethea nominated herself to serve as Vice Chair.

ACTION: The Commissioners elected Ms. Rogers Garner to the position of Vice Chair by a vote of 4-2.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Allen - Rogers Garner; Ms. Bethea- Bethea; Ms. McSwain- Bethea; Mr. Parr- Rogers Garner; Ms. Pena- Rogers Garner; Ms. Rogers Garner- Rogers Garner.

Mr. Parr nominated Ms. Bethea to serve as Treasurer.

ACTION: The Commissioners elected Ms. Bethea to serve as Treasurer by a vote of 6-0.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Allen-yes; Ms. Bethea- yes; Ms. McSwain-yes; Mr. Parr- yes; Ms. Pena- yes; Ms. Rogers Garner-yes.

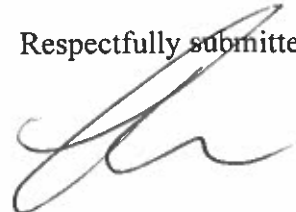
Mr. Moore advised the Commissioners that it was necessary to appoint a Budget Ad Hoc Committee. The Chairman appointed herself, Ms. Allen and then chose the Treasurer, Ms. Bethea to serve on the Ad-Hoc Committee.

Mr. Moore addressed the State of the Market Retreat as a joint virtual retreat with EDA and PPIC has been postponed into the summer.

Port update was given by Chris Gullickson with the Port of Virginia. Thomas Cross, new with the Port of Virginia was introduced.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert D. Moore
Secretary