

**Maryland Port Commission
Open Session Minutes
November 4, 2019**

The Three Hundred and Fifty Eighth Session of the Maryland Port Commission was called to order at 9:00 am by Chairman Earl Lewis at the World Trade Center, 401 E. Pratt Street, Stanton Room, 20th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. The Commission met in Open Session from 9:00 am until 9:40 am.

Present: Chairman Earl Lewis and Commissioners Dandy, Dean, Huber, Lunn and Tilley (phone).

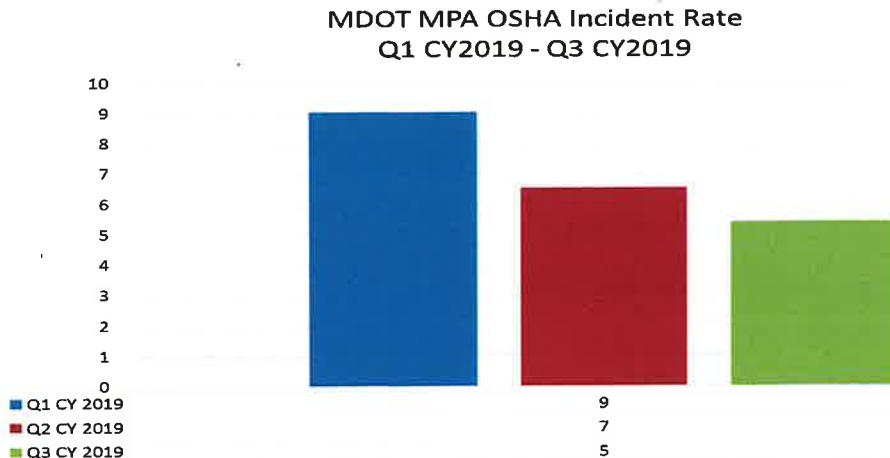
Staff: Jim White (Executive Director), Dave Thomas (Deputy Director), Bob Munroe (MPA Principal Counsel), Mike Miller (Director of Maritime Commercial Management), Richard Powers (Director of Marketing), Richard Scher (Director of Communications), Kristen Fidler (Director of Harbor Development), Dave Espie (Director of Security), Brian Miller (Director of Operations), Jim Dwyer (Director of Planning), Trisha O’Neal, (Procurement Officer), Bill Richardson (General Manager, SERM), Jill Lemke (Planning), and Chris Nichols (Executive Office).

Minutes of the Three Hundred and Fifty Seventh Open and Closed Session Meeting

Commissioner Huber moved to approve the Open and Closed Session Minutes of the Three Hundred and Fifty Seventh Port Commission meeting. Commissioner Dandy seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously without discussion.

Environmental and Safety Program Annual Report, Bill Richardson, SERM General Manager

Mr. Richardson presented to the Commission the annual report on Environmental and Safety Programs. In reviewing the MDOT MPA OSHA incident report below, Mr. Richardson noted that while most incidents were minor in nature, all are required to be reported.



Proactive Safety measures included:

- Twice yearly inspections at terminals.
- Weekly safety observations.
- Conduct root cause analysis to review incidents and near misses.
- Hold safety training throughout the year.

Mr. Richardson also reported on the Port of Baltimore GreenPort Baltimore initiatives, highlights included:

- Improving air quality through Dray Truck replacement, hybrid vehicles, energy efficient operations, and state-of-the-art equipment.
- Improving water quality with the help of “Mr. Trash Wheel”, oyster restoration, floating treatment wetlands, and tree planting.
- Seeking a reduction in energy production and consumption through a successful algae to energy project and through investigating the use of fuel cells in a terminal building.

MPA Resiliency Plan, Jill Lemke, Planning Manager

Ms. Lemke reported on the MDOT MPA *Climate Resilience, An Ongoing Dialogue*. Ms. Lemke stated climate change presents new challenges to the marine terminals which are water dependent; future trends can no longer be accurately predicted by looking at historical data due to climate change.

Resilience vulnerability includes:

- Extremes in temperature
- Extreme rain events
- High winds
- Snow, ice, and hail events
- Increased sedimentation

Ms. Lemke also outlined potential future policy considerations and actions when preparing for resilience and the sites elevated to date.

Contracts for Approval, Trish O’Neal, Assistant Procurement Manager

Ms. O’Neal requested approval for the following contracts:

1. **Contract #219033-S**– Management and Environmental Consultant Services; EcoLogix Group, Inc., Parkton, MD; Term: 01/01/2020 – 12/31/2022; \$800,000 NTE
2. **Contract 518827 (A, D, E, F)** – Miscellaneous Engineering Services; Whitney Bailey, Cox & Magnani, LLC, Baltimore, MD (Contract A, \$7,000,000 NTE); Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, LLP, Baltimore, MD (Contract D, \$6,500,000 NTE); Whitman, Requardt & Associates, LLP,

Baltimore, MD (Contract E, \$6,500,000 NTE); WSP USA Inc., Baltimore, MD (Contract F, \$6,500,000 NTE); Term: 12/05/2019 – 12/04/2024

Motion to approve made by Commissioner Dandy, seconded by Commissioner Dean and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Move into Closed Session

At 9:40 am, in accordance with State Government Article, Section 10-508 (a)(4), Annotated Code of Maryland, Commissioner Lunn moved that the Commission meet in Closed Session, and Commissioner Dean seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. See attached Closing Statement. The Commission met in Closed Session from 9:40 am until 10:42 am. Jim White (Executive Director), Bob Munroe (MPA Principal Counsel), and Chris Nichols (Executive Office) were present. The Closed Session ended at 10:42 am and the meeting returned to Open Session.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Dean and seconded by Commissioner Dandy. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:42 am.