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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Port Authority of the Cayman Islands
45A Harbour Drive
25th March 2021
Meeting No. 473**

A meeting of the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands Board of Directors was held on Thursday, 25th March 2021 at the Port Administration Building, 45A Harbour Drive, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Chairman, Kearney Gomez, welcomed attendees and called the meeting to order at 1:57pm.

2. Attendance and Apologies

Members Present:

Mr. Kearney Gomez – Chairman
Mr. Arek Joseph – Deputy Chairman
Mr. Stran Bodden (Ministry of Tourism)
Mr. Charles Clifford – (CBC)
Mr. Ashton Bodden, JP
Mr. Ken Thompson – via Zoom
Mr. Richard Parchment – (left meeting at 3:10pm)
Mrs. Jacqueline Scott-Rankine
Mr. Joseph Woods – APD

Apologies for Absence(s):

Mr. Michael Nixon – (Ministry of Finance)

Invited Attendees

Nil.

3. Quorum

IT WAS RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 17 (1) (g) of the Public Authorities Law 2017, a quorum of the simple majority of the Members who are entitled to vote were present and that the business would proceed.



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4. Review and Approval of Minutes

Minutes 472 were reviewed. Mr. Arek Joseph moved that Minutes 472 be accepted and Mr. Ashton Bodden seconded. There were no objections and the minutes were accepted by all Members.

5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- a) Minutes 472 6d – **2019 ISA 260 Report** – The 2019 ISA 260 Report was revised by the Auditor General and presented to the Board. It was accepted and agreed by all members.

6. New Business

a) APD Report

The APD provided a report on the cargo and financial activity for February 2021 and the trend for March 2021. He also provided the departmental reports for February 2021 outlining the accomplishments of each department.

b) Financial Report

The Acting Deputy Director of Finance presented the Financial Report covering both January and February 2021 to show how both compared. Depreciation is now included in the operational costs rather than as a separate item after operational surplus.

c) Request for approval of funding to install power for LCL Reefers at CDC Warehouse

The APD presented a request for funding the installation of reefer plugs at the rear of CDC Warehouse, as it would increase efficiency by eliminating the need to restack LCLs with perishables and return it to the Reefer rack to be plugged in. It could remain at the Warehouse under power.

Mr. Richard Parchment moved that the funding request be approved and it was seconded by Mr. Arek Joseph. All members voted to approve it.

d) Safety Report

The APD tabled the Safety Report for February 2021.

e) Interest for a Restaurant upstairs RWT

The APD advised that there was interest from a local company to establish a restaurant upstairs RWT and thus he sought the Board's view on it, as the office was being used as a training room by PACI. There were also some technical points that PACI would need to clarify with Planning Dept.

Members stated that they would be in favour of allowing it to be leased if the technical points were no issue. The APD will seek a determination on the technical points.






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7. Other Business

- a) **Response to [Redacted under FOI 23(1)] re former HR Manager**
The APD presented the response from PACI's attorney to [Redacted under FOI 23(1)] re the former HR Manager.
- b) **Amended Port Regulations**
[Redacted under FOI 23(1)] **enquired as to the effect of the Port Regulations, the new Port Anchorage Area and whether the Port Director could just authorize dredging?**
The APD advised that the amendment only removed the Marine Park from what was originally the designated Port Anchorage Area. However, PACI gave up Eden Rock and the near shore water from just north of the Royal Watler Terminal to the northern end of the designated anchorage area for designation as a Marine Reserve, because it was mainly coral and vessels would not anchor there due to the swing circle putting them in close proximity of the shore. The other effect of the amendment was to give PACI control of the Harbour for security purposes. With respect to dredging, no dredging could occur in a Port Anchorage Area without the permission of the Port Director, because he is now in control of the Port Anchorage Area, but this was in addition to all of the other applicable requirements for approval for dredging being met.
- c) **Little Cayman Dock**
Mr. Arek Joseph stated from a recent inspection that the Chairman of the Board, himself and the APD had carried out, it was clear that Little Cayman's Dock and Facilities needed to be enhanced and asked that government give consideration to addressing it for the future benefit of the island.
The APD and the Chief Officer advised that it was on the list to bring to the Minister's attention after the April election.
- d) **Office Space for CBC at RWT**
Director of CBC, Mr. Clifford, asked that the acquisition of additional office space at Royal Watler Terminal for CBC be placed on the agenda for the next Board meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded and was adjourned at 3:41pm on March 25, 2021. The date of the next scheduled meeting is April 29, 2021.


Mr. Kearney Gomez – Chairman


Mr. Joseph Woods – Recording Secretary