

MINUTES
Virginia Port Authority Board of Commissioners
Executive Committee Electronic Meeting
March 22, 2021

The Virginia Port Authority (“VPA”) Executive Committee (“Committee”) held an electronic meeting via the Zoom platform on March 22, 2021.

This electronic meeting is assembled during a declared state of emergency when it is impracticable or unsafe to assemble a quorum in a single location, to discuss or transact the business statutorily required or necessary to continue operation of the public body in accordance with Item 4-0.01.g of Chapter 1283 of the 2020 Amendments to the 2019 Appropriation Act.

Chairman Milliken called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. and asked Mrs. McNulty to confirm that the public conference line was connected and to conduct a roll call of Board members who were on the call. The following were present:

Executive Committee Members Participating:

John G. Milliken, VPA Board Chairman
F. Blair Wimbush, VPA Board Vice Chairman
Val S. McWhorter, Chair, Growth and Operations Committee
Faith B. Power, Chair, Finance and Audit Committee

Executive Committee Members Absent:

Jennifer D. Aument, Vice Chair, Growth and Operations Committee

Board Members Participating:

John C. Asbury
Manju S. Ganeriwala, State Treasurer
Eva Teig Hardy
Joni Ivey
Stephen Moret
Louisa M. Strayhorn
Deborah C. Waters

Board Members Absent:

J. William Cofer

VPA Staff:

Stephen A. Edwards, CEO and Executive Director
Debra J. McNulty, Secretary to the Board

VPA Staff-Information Technology Support:

Matt Dudley, Information Technology Technician
Shirley Core, Executive Administrative Assistant
Rebecca Killen, Traffic Specialist

Guests:

John Lawson, Deputy Secretary of Transportation

Motion to Convene a Closed Meeting

At this time, Vice Chairman Wimbush offered a motion for the Executive Committee to convene a **closed meeting** in accordance with The Virginia Freedom of Information Act, pursuant to the requirements of §2.2-3711(A)(1), the personnel exemption, to discuss

personnel matters relating to assignment and performance; and pursuant to the requirements of §2.2-3711(A)(37), and the provisions of §62.1-132.4, to discuss proprietary data furnished to the VPA in confidence by Virginia International Terminals, LLC (“VIT”) and the Hampton Roads Chassis Pool II, LLC (“HRCP II”) with regard to growth strategy. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McWhorter and unanimously carried.

Ayes: 4 (Milliken, Wimbush, McWhorter, Power)
Nays: 0
Absent During Vote: 1 (Aument)
Absent During Meeting: 1 (Aument)

At this time Mrs. McNulty confirmed that the public conference line was disconnected and announced that she and the technical support staff hosting the Zoom session would minimize their screens and turn off speakers for the confidential closed session. The Executive Committee proceeded in closed session.

End of Closed Session

At 6:25 p.m., the Executive Committee came out of closed session and the following resolution was read by Vice Chairman Wimbush:

“Whereas, the Virginia Port Authority Executive Committee had convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

Whereas, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by Committee members that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Executive Committee hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Committee.”

The resolution was seconded by Commissioner McWhorter and passed by a roll call vote of the Executive Committee members as follows:

Ayes: 4 (Milliken, Wimbush, McWhorter, Power)
Nays: 0
Absent During Vote: 1 (Aument)
Absent During Meeting: 1 (Aument)

There were no public comments submitted to PublicComments@portofvirginia.com .

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra J. McNulty".

Debra J. McNulty
Secretary to the Board