

Vinton, Louisiana
June 9, 2026

The President and Board of Commissioners of the Vinton Harbor and Terminal District met in regular session on Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at 1203 Horridge Street, Vinton, Louisiana, at 6:00 P.M. after full compliance with all requirements as to notice and otherwise in respect to convening of said meeting with the following members present:

Jerry Merchant, President
Haley Bellard, Commissioner
Charles Broussard, Commissioner
Steven L. Jennings, Commissioner
Alexis Morrow, Commissioner

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: David Bruchhaus, Attorney and Lee Lancon, Engineer

President Merchant called the meeting to order. Commissioner Jennings led in prayer and then followed the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Commissioner Jennings that minutes of prior meeting/s, copies of which were mailed to each commissioner be approved as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Morrow and carried.

The following Resolution was presented to the governing authority adopting the 2026 millage rate as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Vinton Harbor & Terminal District of the Parish of Calcasieu, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on June 9, 2026, which requirements of Article VII, Section 23C of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following adjusted millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2026, for the purpose of raising revenue:

MILLAGE

Maintenance

2.350 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of Calcasieu, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2026 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Commissioners Bellard, Broussard, Jennings, Merchant & Morrow

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the board meeting held on June 9, 2026, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Vinton, Louisiana, this 12th day of June, 2026.

Mary O. Vice, Secretary – Vinton Harbor & Terminal District

Bills for the month were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Bellard, seconded by Commissioner Broussard and carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Morrow and seconded by Commissioner Bellard that the financial statements for May 31, 2026, be approved as presented. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR MONTH ENDING MAY 31, 2026	
BALANCE FORWARD	\$317,915.57
RECIEPTS:	\$ 7,544.23
DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 24,332.05
BALANCE AS OF 05/31/2026	\$301,127.75

Phillip Abshire, Auditor presented the 2025 Audit and AUP reports to the governing authority. He reported that the District received a clean opinion and is in good financial condition. He also

reported that some of the District's Policies and Procedures would need to be updated regarding the findings from the AUP report.

After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Morrow that the 2025 Audit and AUP reports be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jennings and carried.

President Merchant presented the following Resolution to Award CMAR Preconstruction Contract and a Resolution approving CMAR Preconstruction Advertising for the boards consideration.

After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Bellard that the following Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jennings and the vote cast thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Commissioners Bellard, Broussard, Jennings, Merchant and Morrow

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

**RESOLUTION CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH THE PUBLIC BID LAWS:
CMAR PRECONSTRUCTION ADVERTISING**

STATE PROJECT NO. H.016515
PARISH OF CALCASIEU

RESOLUTION

VINTON HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Vinton Harbor and Terminal District has solicited proposals for State Project No. H.016515 in accordance with the current bid laws of the state of Louisiana, including, but not limited to R.S. 38:2211 et. seq and R.S. 38:2225.2.4; and

WHEREAS, the Vinton Harbor and Terminal District has submitted to DOTD Certification of proof of publication, one (1) copy of the proposals, a copy of the selection committee's recommendation, Notice of Award of Contract, and a copy of the recordation data in the Clerk of Court's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vinton Harbor and Terminal District, in Regular session, assembled on this 9th day of June, 2026, does hereby certify that the bidding procedures comply with Louisiana Revised Statutes 38:2211, et. seq. and R.S. 38:2225.2.4.

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a Regular meeting of the Vinton Harbor and Terminal District held on the 9th Day of June, 2026, in which a quorum was present and voting and that the resolution is still in full effect and has not been rescinded or revoked.

Signed at Vinton, Louisiana on the 16th Day of June, 2026.

SECRETARY

After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Broussard that the following Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Morrow and the vote cast thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Commissioners Bellard, Broussard, Jennings, Merchant and Morrow

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION TO AWARD CMAR PRECONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

STATE PROJECT NO. H.016515

PARISH OF CALCASIEU

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Vinton Harbor and Terminal District has received responses for Request for Qualifications on May 5, 2026, at 3:00 PM CST on the New Barge Loading/Unloading Berth port improvements project under the Louisiana Port Construction & Development Priority Program; and

WHEREAS, the Selection Review Committee has recommended that award of preconstruction services contract be made to the most qualified proposer; Keiland Construction, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Vinton Harbor and Terminal District, in Regular session, assembled on this 9th day of June, 2026, acting pursuant to the recommendation of the Selection Review Committee that the Preconstruction Services Contract in the Amount of

\$30,000.00 be accepted and a Preconstruction Services Contract be awarded to Keiland Construction, LLC.

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SECRETARY

Attorney Bruchhaus discussed the proposed lease with PBC. He stated that after speaking with PBC's attorney they are in agreement with the new lease amounts, but would like to have the (up to) \$12,000.00/year for repairs to the crane that would be paid by the District to carry over into the next year if it were not used.

After discussion, the Governing Authority requested that Attorney Bruchhaus express to the PBC Attorney that they are not in favor of any carry over of the \$12,000.00 for crane repairs.

President Merchant gave the monthly President's report

Lee Lancon, Engineer gave the monthly Engineer's report.

Attorney David Bruchhaus updated the governing authority on pending legal matters.

There being no further business to come before the Governing Authority, it was moved by Commissioner Broussard that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jennings and carried.

Jerry Merchant, President

Attest:

Mary O. Vice, Clerk