

**West Virginia Public Port Authority
Board of Directors Meeting
June 2, 2021 2:00 PM
Minutes**

ATTENDANCE

Members Present

Gerald Sites
Mike Graney
DOT Secretary Byrd White

Joining by Phone

Commerce Secretary Ed Gaunch
Eric Peters
Jacob Meck
Gary Thompson

Members Absent

Newton Thomas
David Efaw
Jim Llanaeza

Others Attending

DOT General Counsel Nate Tawney
DOT Executive Assistant Lorrie Hodges
Allan Kile - Visitor

CALL TO ORDER

- Meeting called to order by Byrd White - 2:00PM
- Roll Call/Quorum established

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Motion to approve minutes – Gerald Sites
- Second - Michael Graney
- Motion unanimously passed

NEW BUSINESS/REPORTS

- Chairman White reported on status since last meeting.
- Discussion concerning Heartland Intermodal Gateway and status of sale thereof.

OLD BUSINESS

- Motion to Reconsider Board's prior action of November 7, 2019 – Eric Peters
- Second- Gerald Sites
- Motion unanimously passed
- Motion to provide Secretary White authority to solicit, review and qualify potential lessees and negotiate lease of Heartland Intermodal Gateway – Eric Peters
- Second- Gerald Sites
- Motion unanimously passed

Discussion had regarding future of Public Port Authority and Board input on value of the agency to the State

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion to Adjourn made by Eric Peters, seconded by Gerald Sites.
- Motion unanimously passed.

Minutes by Nate Tawney

WEST VIRGINIA PUBLIC PORT AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WEST VIRGINIA PUBLIC PORT AUTHORITY, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the West Virginia Public Port Authority reconsidered its prior action and Resolution of November 7, 2019 regarding the Prichard Intermodal Facility/Heartland Intermodal Gateway ("Facility").
2. That the Secretary of Transportation, or his or her designee, be and hereby is authorized to solicit, review and qualify potential lessees of the Facility and negotiate lease of the same.

On a motion by Eric Peters, and a second by Gerald Sites, the West Virginia Public Port Authority approved and authorized adoption of the above resolution.

DATE: JUNE 7, 2021

CERTIFICATION OF ACTION OF THE AUTHORITY:



Byrd E. White, III Member/Chair, West Virginia Public Port Authority
Secretary, West Virginia Department of Transportation