

The Portsmouth Port and Industrial Commission

April 26, 2022

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Sarah Rogers Garner
Arnette McSwain
Bracey Parr

ALSO PRESENT:

Brian Donahue – Secretary
Pam Croom – Assistant Secretary
Jeff Miller – Deputy City Attorney
Flora Berisha – Assistant CFO
William Moody- Councilman

ABSENT:

Angelia Allen
Andre Williams
Eugene Swinson
Amira Bethea

Welcome & Call to Order

- The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

Roll Call

- Mr. Donahue called roll. A quorum was not present.

Minutes

- Due to not having a quorum the minutes from the March 22, 2022 Regular Meeting and March 28, 2022 Retreat Meeting Minutes were deferred to May Meeting.

Financials

- *Financial Report*

Ms. Berisha reviewed the Financial Statement for March 2022. It was agreed to file the March 2022 Financial Statement for audit.

Old Business

- Report from the Port of Virginia deferred to May Meeting.
- Business Incentives Workshop Update- Mr. Donahue shared that the workshop was a success and that a future workshop for “How to open a business in Portsmouth” is in the works.
- PPIC Incentive Program Ad Hoc Committee Update – Mr. Donahue informed the board that the incentive forms and programs would be brought to the board for approval in the May Meeting.

New Business

- FY2023 Budget – Mr. Donahue stated that the board needs to appoint a Budget Commission and set up a meeting to discuss the FY2023 PPIC Budget.
- VMA Maritime Mixer, April 28, 2022- the board was reminded of the mixer to be held at Public House from 5pm to 7:30 pm. Three people have registered.

Closed Meeting- None

Open Meeting

Items submitted by Commissioners

- Mr. Parr announced to the board that the EPA will be at 82 Afton Parkway on May 11, 2022 from 6pm to 7:30 pm for an iron and metal site for a “Citizen Town Meeting, a flyer will be sent to the board.

Report Backs

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Donahue
Secretary

Sarah Rogers Gardner
Vice-Chair