

# Minutes of Pilot Commission Port Freeport October 18, 2018

A Special Meeting of the Pilot Commission of Port Freeport was held October 18, 2018, beginning at 12:12 PM at the Port Freeport Administration Building, 1100 Cherry Street, Freeport, Texas.

## Commissioners present:

Mr. Paul Kresta, Chairman  
Mr. John Hoss, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Shane Pirtle, Secretary/Treasurer  
Mr. Bill Terry, Commissioner  
Mr. Rudy Santos, Commissioner  
Mr. Ravi Singhania, Commissioner

## Staff Members present:

Mr. Jason Cordoba, Legal Counsel  
Ms. Phyllis Saathoff, Executive Director/CEO  
Mr. Al Durel, Director of Operations  
Ms. Missy Bevers, Executive Assistant  
Ms. Callie Cole, Accounting Specialist  
Mr. Jesse Hibbetts, Operations Manager  
Ms. Tricia Vela, Receptionist  
Mr. Cecil Booth, Project Engineer  
Ms. Connie Wiegel, Sales & Marketing Specialist  
Mr. Nick Malambri, Engineering Specialist

## Also, present:

Captain Billy J. Burns, Brazos Pilots Association  
Captain Daniel Blanton, Brazos Pilots Association  
Captain Matthew Krohn, Brazos Pilots Association  
Ms. Sierra Krohn  
Mr. Gary Krohn  
Mr. Rick Stephanow, Gulf LNG Services  
Captain Ross Coviello, Brazos Pilots Association  
Mr. Bruce Reed, Phillips 66  
Ms. Citalli Martinez, WGMA  
Mr. David Eby, Terracon  
Mr. Connor Behrens, The Facts  
Mr. Bobby Fuller, Texas Port Ministry  
Mr. Bob Arroyave, Brown & Gay Engineers  
Mr. Jason Foltyn, HDR Engineering

1. CONVENE OPEN SESSION in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001, et. seq., to review and consider the following:

2. Approval of minutes from the Special Meetings held September 27, 2018.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hoss to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Terry with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.

3. Approval of appointment of Captain Matthew Krohn as Branch Pilot for the Ports of Brazoria County.

Mr. Durel stated that staff reviewed Captain Krohn's application and supporting documents and found everything to be in order for his appointment as Branch Pilot. Captain Burns stated he and his fellow pilots unanimously support Captain Krohn's appointment, adding that he is an expert ship handler and is fully prepared to represent the Port, County and Association very well. Captain Krohn will provide a steady hand for the Brazos Pilots Association for generations to come.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hoss to approve the appointment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pirtle with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION in accordance with Subchapter D of the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001, et. seq., to review and consider the following:

A. Under authority of Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) for discussion regarding:

1. Consultation with attorney regarding legal issues arising out of Chapter 68 of the Texas Transportation Code, including those legal issues arising out of dispatch services for vessels. Receive update from the Freeport Harbor Working Group.

5. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION:

8. Adjourn.

With no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.