

POHA March 19, 2026

The Commissioners of the Port of Harlingen Authority (POH) met in a regularly scheduled session on Thursday March 19, 2026, at 12:00 PM at the Port's Administration Office located at 24633 Port Road, Harlingen, Texas, 78550.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Rose Snell – Commissioner, Place 1
Neil Haman – Commissioner, Place 2
Alan Johnson - Commissioner, Place 3
Chris Villarreal – Commissioner, Place 4
Ryan Newman - Commissioner, Place 5

PORT STAFF PRESENT: Walker Smith – Port Director
Robert McDonald – Chief Financial Officer
Amy Lynch – Director of Marketing & Public Relations
Anne Jimenez - Receptionist

A. Meeting called to order at 12:15 pm.

Declaration of conflicts of interest: None.

B. 1. **Item:** PUBLIC COMMENTS

2. **Issue:** To hear public comments, if any.

3. **Discussion:** There were no public comments.

4. **Action Taken:** None.

C. 1. **Item:** APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

2. **Issue:** To review the vouchers for approval.

3. **Discussion:** There was no discussion regarding the vouchers.

4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mrs. Snell, the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the vouchers.

D. 1. **Item:** APPROVAL OF MINUTES & CERTIFIED AGENDA FOR THE MEETING ON MARCH 5, 2026

2. **Issue:** To review the corresponding minutes.

3. **Discussion:** There was no discussion regarding the minutes.

4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mr. Haman and seconded by Mr. Villarreal, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes & certified agenda for the meeting on March 05, 2026.

E. 1. **Item:** PORT DIRECTOR REPORT AND DISCUSSION

2. **Issue:** To hear updates regarding various projects.

3. **Discussion:** Mr. Smith discussed his meeting with Representative Janie Lopez & Senator Adam Hinojosa on Monday. Mr. Smith said the discussion included the situation with Mexico and fuel truck as well as the Overweight Corridor bill that failed to pass into legislation. Mr. Smith also reported on the status of the construction projects. Lastly, Mr. Smith informed the Commission that he hired Miguel Pereira as the Port's Director of Business Development.

4. **Action Taken:** This was for discussion only.

F. **Item:** CFO REPORT AND DISCUSSION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

I. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FEBRUARY 2026 FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONS REPORTS

2. **Issue:** To review and approve the reports.

3. **Discussion:** Regarding the Profit & Loss Budget Performance, Mr. McDonald noted that the Port billed Titan Fuel \$345,000 for minimum tonnage for 2025. However, the impact on the net operating income is zero as Mr. McDonald added the \$345,000 to bad debt reserve. Subtracting the Titan Fuel invoice, the Port is \$52,000 YTD over budget on revenue. The issues that will need to be addressed with the mid-year budget review are Interest Expense and Water Expenses. Regarding the Balance Sheet, Mr. McDonald noted that other than the large bad debt reserve, Balance Sheet looks good. The Port has \$9.6MM in Construction in Progress, almost \$9MM of that is the dock and Illumination/Drainage projects. Regarding the Tonnage report, Mr. McDonald stated that the tonnage for February was 136,000 tons, which is the second lowest month of the year.

4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mr. Villarreal and seconded by Mrs. Snell, the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the February reports: Tonnage, A/R Aging Summary, Balance Sheet, and the Profit & Loss Budget Performance.

G. 1. **Item:** PR AND MARKETING DIRECTOR REPORT AND DISCUSSION

2. **Issue:** To hear updates regarding various projects.

3. **Discussion:** Mrs. Lynch reported about her visit to Washington DC with IRPT to visit with various Senators and Representatives on behalf of the Port. She also stated that she is finalizing the Annual Report and working on website updates.

4. **Action Taken:** This was for discussion only.

- H. 1. **Item:** CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR THE SCP 88 DRAINAGE & LIGHTING PROJECT
2. **Issue:** To review and approve the change order.
3. **Discussion:** Mr. Smith explained that this change order is to address the washout under one of the drains. The change order cost is approximately \$271,000.
4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mrs. Snell and seconded by Mr. Villarreal, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Change Order #2 For the SCP 88 Drainage & Lighting project.

The Commission entered the executive session authorized by Chapters 551.071 and 551.072 at 12:56 PM. They came out of the executive session at 1:27 PM. A Certified Agenda for the executive session is on file.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:27 PM.

ATTEST:



Alan Johnson, Chairman



Chris Villarreal, Secretary