

POHA July 16, 2026

The Commissioners of the Port of Harlingen Authority (POH) met in a regularly scheduled session on Thursday July 16, 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
Chris Villarreal – Commissioner, Place 4

PORT STAFF PRESENT: Walker Smith – Port Director
Robert McDonald – Chief Financial Officer (remote)
Amy Lynch – Director of Marketing & Public Relations
Anne Jimenez - Receptionist
Vanessa Grimaldo – Administrative Assistant (remote)

OTHERS PRESENT: Chris Boswell – Port Attorney

A. Meeting called to order at 12:22 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 AND RATIFICATION OF THE JULY 2, 2026
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 Mrs. Snell and seconded by Mr. Villarreal, the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the vouchers and ratify the July 2 vouchers.

D. 1. **Item:** APPROVAL OF MINUTES & CERTIFIED AGENDA FOR THE MEETING ON
JUNE 18, 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. Villarreal and seconded by Mrs. Snell, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes & certified agenda for the meeting on June 18, 2026.

E. 1. **Item:** PORT DIRECTOR REPORT AND DISCUSSION2. **Issue:** To hear updates regarding various projects.3. **Discussion:** Mr. Smith reported on the status of the construction projects. Regarding USACE communications, Mr. Smith stated that they will begin dredging soon. He also said that USACE informed him that the Port will be allocated \$23million over the next 2 years to address placement areas 10-15.4. **Action Taken:** This was for discussion only.F. **Item:** CFO REPORT AND DISCUSSION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:I. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE JUNE 2026
FINANCIAL, OPERATIONS & CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORTS2. **Issue:** To hear updates regarding the reports.3. **Discussion:** Regarding the A/R Aging Summary, Mr. McDonald noted that Sunoco sent a payment that was not for any invoiced amount. Regarding the Budget to Actual, he stated that revenue was under budget but so were expenses. And regarding the Tonnage, he noted that the tonnage has not increased from the previous month.4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mrs. Snell and seconded by Mr. Villarreal, the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the June reports: Tonnage, A/R Aging Summary, Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget Performance, and Capital Projects reports.G. 1. **Item:** DIRECTOR OF PR AND MARKETING REPORT AND DISCUSSION2. **Issue:** To hear updates regarding various projects.3. **Discussion:** Mrs. Lynch reported that she is assisting in the Port Security Grant application with CSRS. She is also finishing the PIDP '24 report for the Asset Management project as well as finishing a slide deck for marketing.4. **Action Taken:** This was for discussion only.H. 1. **Item:** CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF EXECUTING A LANDLORD'S
CONSENT FOR THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH HARLINGEN GIN2. **Issue:** To review the document for approval.3. **Discussion:** Mr. Smith said that Harlingen Gin sent the Landlord's Consent. Mr. Boswell stated that the Port should approve the consent subject to the termination of the lease agreement with Bunge.4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mr. Villarreal and seconded by Mrs. Snell, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Landlord's Consent with Harlingen Gin subject to the termination of the lease agreement with Bunge.

- H. 1. **Item:** CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A PROPOSAL BY RHYNER CONSTRUCTION FOR THE CLEANUP AND DIRT PLACEMENT AT THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS "FEEDLOT"
2. **Issue:** To review the proposal.
3. **Discussion:** Mr. Smith explained that he was approached by Buck Rhyner who had interest in utilizing the Port's property known as the "Feedlot" to store dirt. Mr. Smith stated that there is still a significant amount of concrete on this property that was originally left there by Rhyner Construction. Mr. Smith is waiting for a proposal by Mr. Rhyner to crush and remove the concrete.
4. **Action Taken:** No action was taken.

The Commission entered the executive session authorized by Chapters 551.071 and 551.072 at 1:16 PM. They came out of the executive session at 1:44 PM. A Certified Agenda for the executive session is on file.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:46 PM.

ATTEST:


Neil Haman, Vice Chairman


Chris Villarreal, Secretary