

MINUTES OF THE MID-AMERICA PORT COMMISSION

April 14, 2025

Culver-Stockton College

1:00pm

1. Chairman Roderick called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call of Board Members Present: Aeilts, Benjamin, Brownback, Munzlinger, Norris, Roderick, and Voss. The guests present were Mike Klingner, Mike McLaughlin, Ralph Martin, Chris Smith, Katy Glynn.
3. New Commissioners Munzlinger and Voss introduced themselves.
4. Approval of January 13, 2025, meeting minutes: Motion by Norris to approve, second by Brownback. Motion carried.
5. Reports:
 - 5.1. Financial Report: (none)
 - 5.2. Staff Activity Report (none)
 - 5.3. Chairman's Report: Roderick covered his report attached in the meeting packet.
 - 5.4. Committee Reports: (none)
 - 5.5. State Updates
 - 5.5.1. Illinois: Mike McLaughlin reported progress on MAIA port.
 - 5.5.2. Iowa: Commissioner Mike Norris reported conversations with Iowa DOT regarding a freight study.
 - 5.5.3. Missouri: Progress discussed on the Lewis County Port.
 - 5.6. Federal Update: PIDP grant opportunity through MARAD discussed. USACE written comments by Tom Heinold, Rock Island district.
 - 5.7. Engineer: Mike Klingner presented a report including discussion of concerns with possible USACE/FEMA changes in flood flow frequencies that may negatively affect drainage protection without concurrent authorization allowing drainage districts to improve levee heights. He noted funding for UMRR was being pulled back for review. UMIMRA was also expanding its purview.
 - 5.8. Corn Belt Ports: Chris Smith introduced Katy Glynn to make a presentation on ENGIE, a company promoting energy solutions as an economic driver in communities.
 - 5.9. Roderick reported that MAPC is working to find a new commissioner from Missouri.
6. Acceptance of Reports: Brownback motioned to accept reports, seconded by Munzlinger. Motion carried.
7. OLD BUSINESS (none)
8. NEW BUSINESS (none)
9. Resolutions and Ordinances (None)
10. Date of next meeting: July 14, 2025, 1:00pm, CSC IDEA Center. Motion by Aeilts to approve, second by Brownback. Motion carried.
11. Public input: None.
12. Executive Session: None.
13. Adjourn: Voss motioned to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m., seconded by Benjamin. Motion carried.