## Pilotage Commission for the Port of Georgetown Upper Coastal Minutes of Meeting

September 21, 2011

The Pilotage Commission for the Port of Georgetown held a regularly scheduled meeting on September 21, 2011 for the purpose of holding a Business Meeting. The meeting, held at 5:00 pm in the United Way building on Front Street in Georgetown, was duly published.

## **Attending Commissioners:**

Gillespie G. Boyd, Jr., Chairman

Clayton Bull, Vice Chairman

Steven G. Strickland, Secretary

Captain Edwin Jayroe, Pilot

Michael Elmore

## **Also Attending:**

Tim Tilley

Ron Miller

Perry Collins

Wayne Gregory

Chairman Boyd called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. The LLR Opening Statement was read. The Commissioners of Pilotage for the Port of Georgetown met Wednesday, September 21, 2011, at the United Way Building on Front Street, in Georgetown, South Carolina. Whereas, proper notice of date, time, place and agenda information having been properly provided and proper notice also having been posted 24 hours prior to the time scheduled for the meeting and quorum having been noted as present, Chairman Boyd called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. All votes referenced herein were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Guests were introduced. **Motion:** A motion was made to approve the minutes of the May 2011 meeting. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

Guest Tim Tilley, Chairman of the Georgetown Port Task Force gave a briefing on the purpose and organization of the Task Force for the Commission's information. He stated the Task Force was charged with defining the need for port dredging, the funding for the dredging, and actions proposed to obtain such funding. Mr. Tilley also discussed the Alliance's Green Coast Initiative and wind energy development that could benefit the port.

SCSPA Report - Michael Elmore made comments on the current port operations. He stated SCSPA has hired a new sales representative, Ted McNair, for the Ports of Charleston and Georgetown. He reported the cement customer completed a two (2) million dollar rail upgrade, including a new dump

system and rail.

Pilot's Report - Pilot Edwin Jayroe gave an update on shipping, with one (1) pet coke ship since the last meeting. He reported three (3) pilots are available and the pilot boat (RIB) was in operation. He noted the current usable draft is 18 – 20 feet due to siltation; and the Sampit River is currently, where the shallow portions of the navigation channel are located, between 16 -18 feet. He reported the steel mill channel has around 8 feet in some places. He said the Ranges are in disrepair with light and day boards missing or not functioning. He reported there have been 6 (six) ships for the year at this point.

No further business was brought before the Commission.

**Motion:** Edwin Jayroe made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven G. Strickland Secretary