

**Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports
Public Meeting**

**Houston, Texas
May 22, 2012**

A public meeting of the Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the "Pilot Board") was convened on May 22, 2012 at 11:23 a.m., at the Port of Houston Authority Executive Offices, Fourth Floor Boardroom, at 111 East Loop North, Houston, Texas 77029. The following Commissioners, staff, and counsel were present:

James T. Edmonds, Chairman
Jimmy A. Burke, Commissioner
Jim Fonteno, Jr., Commissioner
Elyse B. Lanier, Commissioner
Kase L. Lawal, Commissioner
Janiece Longoria, Commissioner
Steve L. Phelps, Commissioner
Leonard Waterworth, Executive Director
Erik Eriksson, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary
David H. Brown of Brown & Kornegay, LLP, Litigation Counsel
J. Kent Friedman of Haynes and Boone, LLP, Special Counsel

(PB-2012-0522-01) Chairman Edmonds asked if the Pilot Board had changes to the minutes of its April 24, 2012 meeting. Hearing no changes, the Chairman declared the minutes approved as written.

The Pilot Board then considered each Request for Pilot Board Action ("RPBA") submitted by Mr. Waterworth, attached to these minutes as Exhibit "A."

(PB-2012-0522-02) RPBA C1 was presented, moved by Commissioner Lanier, seconded by Commissioner Phelps. Chairman Edmonds and Commissioners Burke, Fonteno, Lanier, Lawal, Longoria, and Phelps voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA C1 PASSED.

(PB-2012-0522-03) RPBA C2 was presented, moved by Commissioner Lanier, seconded by Commissioner Phelps. Chairman Edmonds and Commissioners Burke, Fonteno, Lanier, Lawal, Longoria, and Phelps voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA C2 PASSED.

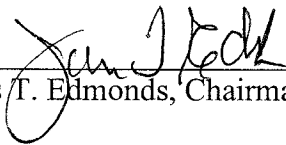
(PB-2012-0522-04) RPBA C3 was presented, moved by Commissioner Lanier, seconded by Commissioner Phelps. Chairman Edmonds and Commissioners Burke, Fonteno, Lanier, Lawal, Longoria, and Phelps voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA C3 PASSED.

(PB-2012-0522-05) RPBA C4 was presented, moved by Commissioner Lanier, seconded by Commissioner Phelps. Chairman Edmonds and Commissioners Burke, Fonteno, Lanier, Lawal, Longoria, and Phelps voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA C4 PASSED.

(PB-2012-0522-06) RPBA C5 was presented, moved by Commissioner Lanier, seconded by Commissioner Phelps. Chairman Edmonds and Commissioners Burke, Fonteno, Lanier, Lawal, Longoria, and Phelps voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA C5 PASSED.


At 11:23 a.m. Chairman Edmonds adjourned the meeting of the Pilot Board.

The above is a correct copy of the Minutes of the May 22, 2012 meeting of the Pilot Board.



James T. Edmonds, Chairman

ATTEST:



Erik A. Eriksson, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary

Request for Board of Pilot Commissioner Action

Category: General	Agenda Date: May 22, 2012	Agenda Section: C - 1
From: Division: Port Security & Emergency Operations Department: Marine	Staff Contact: Ruben Arredondo	
Summary Recommendation: Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot State Commission in and for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Holly B. Cooper.		
Background: Prior authorizing Pilot Board action: Minute No. 2008-0430-67 The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.		
Staff Evaluation/Justification: Captain Holly B. Cooper has applied for renewal of her commission as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and Houston Ship Channel. The application includes a renewal request on her behalf from the Houston Pilots and evidence of her ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor. After an assessment of her qualifications and the documents filed with her application, the ARC determined that Captain Holly B. Cooper meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel Between the Galveston Bar and the Turning Basin Terminal. Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain Holly B. Cooper to renew her commission as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and the Houston Ship Channel. Such commission is for a four-year term.		
Full Recommendation: The Pilot Board, at its May 22, 2012 meeting, recommend to the Governor the renewal of the commission of Captain Holly B. Cooper as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and the Houston Ship Channel for a four-year term effective July 27, 2012, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.		

Request for Board of Pilot Commissioner Action

Category: General	Agenda Date: May 22, 2012	Agenda Section: C - 2
From: Division: Port Security & Emergency Operations Department: Marine	Staff Contact: Ruben Arredondo	
Summary Recommendation: Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission in and for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Paul F. Dunaway.		
Background: Prior authorizing Pilot Board action: Minute No. 2008-0430-66 The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.		
Staff Evaluation/Justification: Captain Paul F. Dunaway has applied for renewal of his commission as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and Houston Ship Channel. The application includes a renewal request on his behalf from the Houston Pilots and evidence of his ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor. After an assessment of his qualifications and the documents filed with his application, the ARC determined that Captain Paul F. Dunaway meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel Between the Galveston Bar and the Turning Basin Terminal. Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain Paul F. Dunaway to renew his commission as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and the Houston Ship Channel. Such commission is for a four-year term.		
Full Recommendation: The Pilot Board, at its May 22, 2012 meeting, recommend to the Governor the renewal of the commission of Captain Paul F. Dunaway as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and the Houston Ship Channel for a four-year term effective July 15, 2012, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.		

Request for Board of Pilot Commissioner Action

<p>Category: General</p>	<p>Agenda Date: May 22, 2012</p>	<p>Agenda Section: C - 3</p>
<p>From: Division: Port Security & Emergency Operations Department: Marine</p>	<p>Staff Contact: Ruben Arredondo</p>	
<p>Summary Recommendation: Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot State Commission in and for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Bradley G. Miller.</p>		
<p>Background: Prior authorizing Pilot Board action: Minute No. 2008-0430-63</p> <p>The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.</p>		
<p>Staff Evaluation/Justification: Captain Bradley G. Miller has applied for renewal of his commission as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and Houston Ship Channel. The application includes a renewal request on his behalf from the Houston Pilots and evidence of his ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor.</p> <p>After an assessment of his qualifications and the documents filed with his application, the ARC determined that Captain Bradley G. Miller meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel Between the Galveston Bar and the Turning Basin Terminal.</p> <p>Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain Bradley G. Miller to renew his commission as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and the Houston Ship Channel. Such commission is for a four-year term.</p>		
<p>Full Recommendation: The Pilot Board, at its May 22, 2012 meeting, recommend to the Governor the renewal of the commission of Captain Bradley G. Miller as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and the Houston Ship Channel for a four-year term effective July 25, 2012, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.</p>		

Request for Board of Pilot Commissioner Action

Category: General	Agenda Date: May 22, 2012	Agenda Section: C - 4
From: Division: Port Security & Emergency Operations Department: Marine	Staff Contact: Ruben Arredondo	
Summary Recommendation: Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot State Commission in and for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Steven A. Nelson.		
Background: Prior authorizing Pilot Board action: Minute No. 2008-0430-64 The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.		
Staff Evaluation/Justification: Captain Steven A. Nelson has applied for renewal of his commission as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and Houston Ship Channel. The application includes a renewal request on his behalf from the Houston Pilots and evidence of his ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor. After an assessment of his qualifications and the documents filed with his application, the ARC determined that Captain Steven A. Nelson meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel Between the Galveston Bar and the Turning Basin Terminal. Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain Steven A. Nelson to renew his commission as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and the Houston Ship Channel. Such commission is for a four-year term.		
Full Recommendation: The Pilot Board, at its May 22, 2012 meeting, recommend to the Governor the renewal of the commission of Captain Steven A. Nelson as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and the Houston Ship Channel for a four-year term effective July 25, 2012, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.		

Request for Board of Pilot Commissioner Action

Category: General	Agenda Date: May 22, 2012	Agenda Section: C - 5
From: Division: Port Security & Emergency Operations Department: Marine	Staff Contact: Ruben Arredondo	
Summary Recommendation: Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot State Commission in and for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Michael R. Pizzitola.		
Background: Prior authorizing Pilot Board action: Minute No. 2008-0430-65 The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.		
Staff Evaluation/Justification: Captain Michael R. Pizzitola has applied for renewal of his commission as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and Houston Ship Channel. The application includes a renewal request on his behalf from the Houston Pilots and evidence of his ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor. After an assessment of his qualifications and the documents filed with his application, the ARC determined that Captain Michael R. Pizzitola meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel Between the Galveston Bar and the Turning Basin Terminal. Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain Michael R. Pizzitola to renew his commission as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and the Houston Ship Channel. Such commission is for a four-year term.		
Full Recommendation: The Pilot Board, at its May 22, 2012 meeting, recommend to the Governor the renewal of the commission of Captain Michael R. Pizzitola as Branch Pilot for the Galveston Bar and the Houston Ship Channel for a four-year term effective July 16, 2012, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.		