PROCEEDINGS OF THE FREMONT MUNICIPAL INLAND PORT AUTHORITY

Regular meeting of the Fremont Municipal Inland Port Authority was called to order by Chairman Dave Heineman at 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, October 7, 2026, in the RVR Bank Education Center, 1005 East 23rd Street, Fremont, Nebraska. Roll Call taken showed the following commissioners present: Dave Heineman, Jennifer Greunke, Joe Sajevic, Christy Fiala, Fred Mytty, and Paul Vaughan. Absent: Steve Pribnow. He stated the notice of the meeting was legally published and posted at the Municipal Building and at the Courthouse. He also said a copy of the "Open Meetings Law" is posted on the wall as required by law. He also stated that the agenda was on Dodge County's website.

There were no public comments.

The Authority unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

The Authority unanimously approved the proceedings of the meeting held April 22, 2026, as submitted.

Treasurer Steve Pribnow, who was not present, sent a written report that the Authority's balance as of September 30, 2026 was $1,446,979.36 and since the last meeting, income was monthly interest and expense was only a payment to Burns McDonnell.

Scott Huppert, Dodge County Highway Superintendent, and a representative of Burns McDonnell's explained Amendment No. 1 to the original $695,000 contract. Due to the $3 million-dollar federal grant that Dodge County received and awarded it to HDR Consultants, there are additional environmental studies needed on the study which Burns McDonnell will not be doing but HDR will do it. Therefore, Burns McDonnell's contract is amended by a $40,000 decrease. However, Burns McDonnell will be doing more utility work including designing a water main, utility transmission pipe, a future 2,000 feet electrical conduit, and a fiber optic pipe from the west side of Hwy 275 to the Morningside Project. This will cost an additional $197,600. Thus these 23 pages of amendments will add $157,600 to the original contract to a new total of $853,100. A representative of Burns McDonnell explained the timeline of the project. He said with the $3 million-dollar federal grant, it was agreed that the grant will pay for only the first mile of construction ending at County Road 26. He said construction could begin in 2028. Once starting, local property owners will be notified about the project and will have access through the project. Non-local traffic will be detoured. The Authority unanimously approved the amended agreement to No. AE-6.

Ryan Kephart, from Greater Fremont Development Council, updated the Authority on its RFP for railway operators. Since the Authority did not get any interest in the proposed RFP, there are at least two railway operators interested in a scaled down version of the Authority's RFP. He also said he receives many inquiries about possibly locating in the Authority's jurisdiction. The paving of a 3-lane road to it will help interest.

Chairman Heineman said the next meeting probably won't be needed until 2027.

At 4:27 P.M., the Chairman adjourned the meeting.

Fred Mytty
Secretary