



**Hernando County  
Port Authority  
Regular Meeting  
Minutes**

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**April 4, 2023**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, in the John Law Ayers County Commission Chambers, Government Center, Brooksville, Florida.

| <u>Attendee Name</u> | <u>Title</u>                  |
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| John Allocco         | Chairman                      |
| Elizabeth Narverud   | Vice Chairman                 |
| Jerry Campbell       | Commissioner                  |
| Brian Hawkins        | Commissioner                  |
| Jon Jouben           | County Attorney               |
| Steve Miller         | Airport Operations Manager    |
| Tobey Phillips       | Deputy County Administrator   |
| Valerie Pianta       | Economic Development Director |
| Jeffrey Rogers       | County Administrator          |
| Heidi Kurppe         | Deputy Clerk                  |

Comm. Steve Champion was not present at the meeting.

**Invocation**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JEFFREY ROGERS**

**Discussion Regarding Purpose of Port Authority Meeting**

**AGENDA**

**Motion**

To approve.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED</b>                          |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Elizabeth Narverud                      |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Brian Hawkins                           |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Allocco, Narverud, Hawkins and Campbell |
| <b>ABSENT:</b>   | Champion                                |

**Discussion Regarding Review of Operations at Brooksville-Tampa Bay Regional Airport**

The Board accepted public input on this matter.

**Discussion Regarding Industrial Area Growth**

Comm. Narverud temporarily left the meeting and returned shortly thereafter.

There was no public input.

**Discussion Regarding Commercial Fishing Industry**

The Board accepted public input on this matter.

Comm. Hawkins temporarily left the meeting and returned shortly thereafter.

Comm. Narverud temporarily left the meeting and returned shortly thereafter.

Comm. Campbell temporarily left the meeting.

**Discussion Regarding Funding Opportunities**

Comm. Campbell rejoined the meeting.

There was Board consensus to direct the staff to research options for an Industrial Land Strategy Study; to include a legislative request for a potential bill for a feasibility study paid for by Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development Council (FSTED) to determine if Hernando County may be considered a port council and a commercial fishing port; and for a sales tax referendum for economic development funding, and to bring it back to the Board for discussion at a future meeting.

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

Citizens commented on various topics and issues.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Board commented on various issues.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.