

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS**

**Telephone Conference Call**

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**Participant Code 491089625**

**December 16, 2021, 10:00 a.m.**

**APPROVED**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Kurtz called the conference call meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Commissioner Carolyn Kurtz, Chair  
Commissioner Michael Jaccoma, Vice Chair  
Commissioner Sherif Assal  
Commissioner Bob Benson  
Commissioner Bruce Cumings  
Commissioner Cheryl Phipps  
Commissioner Ed Russo  
Commissioner Brian Seuter  
Commissioner Sherif Assal

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Marlene Stern, Board Counsel  
Mollie Peck, Government Analyst  
Amanda Ackermann, Executive Director  
Captain Tom Bushy, Board Consultant  
Terry Fluke, Tampa Bay Pilots Association  
Ben Borgie, Florida Harbor Pilots Association  
Gretchen Winters, Florida Harbor Pilots Association  
Laura Di Bella, Florida Harbor Pilots Association  
Warren Husband, Florida Harbor Pilots Association  
Court Reporter, For the Record

**REQUESTS FOR STATE PILOT EXAMINATIONS**

**Captain Kyle O'Connor – Tampa Bay Pilots Association** – A motion was made by Commissioner Cumings and seconded by Commissioner Jaccoma to approve Captain Kyle O'Connor to sit for the State Pilot Examination for the Port of Tampa Bay. Motion carried.

**Captain Brett Baker – Tampa Bay Pilots Association** - A motion was made by Commissioner Cumings and seconded by Commissioner Jaccoma to approve Captain Brett Baker to sit for the State Pilot Examination for the Port of Tampa Bay. Motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF PERMANENT DEPUTY PILOT CERTIFICATIONS**

A motion was made by Commissioner Seuter to approve Captain Tevin Freeman for his permanent deputy pilot certification for Port of Tampa Bay.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Assal. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Seuter to approve Captain Clint McCay for his permanent deputy pilot certification for Port of Tampa Bay.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Assal. The motion carried.

### **EMERGENCY REQUEST FOR DEPUTY PILOT FOR THE PORT OF EVERGLADES**

A motion was made to approve the Emergency request for Deputy Pilot for the Port of Everglades by Commissioner Benson. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cumings. The motion carried.

A motion was made to request that the Department fill the vacated position from among the 2020 Deputy Pilot Examination candidates for the Port of Everglades by Commissioner Phipps. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Assal. The motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Kurtz asked for an expected date for the quarterly January meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS: None.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.