

Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports

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To: Pilot Board Investigation Recommendation Advisory Subcommittee

From: Mike Usher

Subject: Minutes of September 7, 2012 Meeting

The meeting was held in the Port of Houston Authority Executive Office Building Boardroom at 09:00 Friday September 7, 2012. Committee members in attendance were, Ruben Arredondo, Captain Robert Thompson, Paul Caruselle, and Dave Foret. Tim Leitzell phoned in opinion. Staff in attendance was Compliance Manager Mike Usher.

Compliance Manager convened the meeting of the Pilot Board Investigation Recommendation Advisory Subcommittee Meeting.

- The committee members were presented with facts and evidence regarding repeated alcohol related incidents involving Houston Branch Pilot Captain Paul L. Bartholmey.
- After careful review, the committee discussed the legalities of this case, which falls properly under the purview of the Texas Transportation Code Chapter 66, and PBIRC procedures.
- After deliberations, the committee voted unanimously recommending that this matter warranted a full hearing scheduled for Tuesday October 9, 2012.
- Captain Robert Thompson advised the committee that the Houston Pilots Association Executive Committee had a scheduled meeting at 13:00 with Captain Bartholmey the same day of the Advisory Subcommittee Meeting.
- Captain Thompson further advised that the Executive Committee would recommend to Captain Bartholmey that he voluntarily removes himself from pilotage duty service and seeks medical rehabilitation treatment for alcohol abuse.

Meeting Adjourned