



Shane Pirtle, P.E. - Chairman, Position 1 (At Large)

Elected to the Port Commission in 2011, Shane Pirtle is currently a senior consultant in Safety Instrument Systems and Instrumentation. Pirtle retired from The Dow Chemical Company after 30 years of service. He also has managerial and professional experience at other engineering firms. He is a Registered Professional Engineer in Control Systems.

Education

Pirtle is a Distinguished Alumni of Brazosport College holding an Associate of Applied Science and Associate in Engineering Science degrees.

Affiliations & Community Involvement

Pirtle served six years as mayor for the City of Lake Jackson and one year as a city council member. Among his many civic activities, Pirtle is an active board member of the United Way of Brazoria County, a member of the Brazoria County Economic Development Alliance, Brazosport Chamber of Commerce, and Brazosport Business Roundtable. Past activities include Bay Area Council Boy Scouts, Boys & Girls Club of Brazoria County, BACH and Brazosport Rotary.

Personal

Pirtle resides near Brazoria and is a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Lake Jackson, having served on church council and several committees. He is also involved in numerous other community activities and charitable events. He and his wife Linda, 34 years, have three children, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. In his free time, Pirtle enjoys spending time with his grandchildren along with outdoor activities such as ranching, bee keeping, hunting, fishing and golf.

Port Freeport

Port Freeport is a leading port in the export of crude oil and natural gas liquids and ranked 6th in chemicals, 11th in foreign waterborne tonnage, and 26th in containers. A 2019 Economic Impact Study by Texas A&M Transportation Institute revealed that, nationally, the Freeport Harbor Channel generates 279,780 jobs and has a total economic output of \$149 billion. Port Freeport serves Atlantic Container Lines, AMPORTS, BASF, Chiquita Fresh N.A., CEMEX, Dole Fresh Fruit, The Dow Chemical Company, Enterprise Products, Exxon Mobile, Freeport LNG, Glovis, Grimaldi Lines, Hoegh Autoliners, Kirby Marine, Liberty Global Logistics, Mammoet, MEGlobal, NYK, Phillips 66, Riviana Foods, Inc., Sallaum Lines, Tenaris, U.S Department of Energy, Wallenius Wilhelmsen, and Vulcan Materials Company.