

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

MARCH 6, 1970

The Greater Lafourche Port Commission of the State of Louisiana met in regular session at its regular meeting place, the office of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission, Galliano, Louisiana, on Friday, March 6, 1970, at 7:00 P.M. pursuant to the provision of due notice given in writing to each and every member there of and duly posted in the manner required by law.

There were present: A. O. Rappelet, Felton Galliano, Daize Cheramie, Jessie Guidry, Minor Cheramie and Dudley Bernard.

There were absent: Earl Angelle, Dr. J. A. Gravois and James Summersgill III.

The Greater Lafourche Port Commission was duly convened by Hon. A. O. Rappelet, president, who announced the purpose of the meeting in accordance with the aforesaid written notice thereof, and then stated that the commission was ready for the transaction of business.

It was moved by Jessie Guidry, seconded by Minor Cheramie and duly passed that the board dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting of February 5, 1970.

Others present were recognized as Ervin Melancon, Sr., Ervin Melancon, Jr., Stanley Perry, Ena Leonard, Mayor Kip Plaisance, Rodney Serpas and Joyce Anselmi.

On motion by Jessie Guidry, seconded by Daize Cheramie the following motion was introduced:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Greater Lafourche Port Commission desires to repair and renovate a bridge (formerly the old Leeville Bridge across Bayou Lafourche) for eventual installation in the port terminal area. This project requires sand-blasting, painting and the general repair of the bridge. In order to better facilitate the renovation of the bridge, it has been placed on a barge and towed to the Greater Lafourche Port Commission Floatation Canal at which place the barge has been moored. Workmen cross a land area to go to and from the barge, The waterway on which the barge is currently moored either adjoins or is in the immediate vicinity of land owned by the Constantin Estate and currently under a surface lease to Ervin Melancon, et al. The Greater Lafourche Port Commission has no intention of interfering with any lawful lease hold interest which Melancon and others may have secured from the Constantin Estate. In the process of the renovation and repair of the bridge in question, should the lawful owners of the lands, or their authorized leasee sustain any damages, property damages or bodily injuries, from negligence attributed to the Greater Lafourche Port Commission, or its authorized agents and employees, then the Port Commission agrees to save, hold harmless and indemnify said parties concerning said damages. This commitment does not in any manner, alter amend, waive or abandon the legal jurisdiction of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission over the area in question, particularly over the waterways.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Engineer be requested to complete engineering studies as quickly as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That without abandoning any legal rights in this matter, the Greater Lafourche Port Commission shall remove the barge presently situated in the Port Commission Floation Canal near the intersection of Highway # 1 and Highway # 3090, on written demand by agent of the Constantin Estate or its leasee, provided however that the Port Commission be given at least 10 days to remove its facilities, and provided further that adopting this resolution the Port Commission does not in any manner ratify the lease agreement between the Constantin Estate and the Melancons, nor does the Port Commission abandon, waive or renounce its jurisdiction of the property, particularly the waterways.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Greater Lafourche Port Commission does hereby declare it a continuance of the same emergency declared on October 1, 1969, to take whatever action is necessary to accomplish the ends of said old Leeville Bridge resolution and project.

The resolution being taken to a vote was as follows:

<u>6</u>	Yeas
<u>0</u>	Nays
<u>3</u>	Absent

The resolution was declared adopted this 6th day of March, 1970.

It was moved by Jessie Guidry, seconded by Minor Cheramie and duly passed that the Louisiana Power & Light Company be authorized to install temporary lines along Highway # 3090 to the Port Commission warehouse on Bayou Lafourche and to service industry in the area.

It was moved by Jessie Guidry, seconded by Minor Cheramie and duly passed that the Louisiana Power & Light Company be authorized to install a submarine cable 30 feet MLT under the old Fourchon Canal to a point about 500 feet from the Chevron Canal as illustrated on the plat.

The president then recommended that we authorize the attorney, Mr. Stanley Perry, to go to court to enforce the contract with the Lafourche Parish Water District # 1, It was moved by Jessie Guidry, seconded by Daize Cheramie and duly passed that the Greater Lafourche Port Commission attorney, Mr. Stanley Perry be and he is hereby authorized to pursue whatever legal means available to enforce the contract dated August 11, 1966, with the Lafourche Parish Water District # 1.

It was moved by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Minor Cheramie and duly passed that Stanley Perry, attorney, be hired on a cost plus basis in all pending litigations.

It was moved by Daize Cheramie, seconded by Dudley Bernard and duly passed that the meeting be adjourned.

ATTEST:


President

Secretary