

AGENDA
March 21, 1989

1. Call to order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of minutes of February 3, 1989 meeting
4. Approval of minutes of February 14, 1989 meeting
5. President's Report
6. Committee Reports:
 - I. Legal, Permits, Waterways:
 - a. Letters of No Objection
 - II. Construction and Development:
 - a. Amoco Donation
 - b. Rig @ unloading zone
 - III. Finance:
 - a. Financial Report
 - b. February invoices
 - c. Nerby Collins Marina Fee
 - d. Vehicle donation
 - e. Outboard motor for donated vessel
 - IV. Executive:
 - a. Salary adjustments for unclassified employees
7. Executive Director's Report
 - a. EDA Project Update
 - b. Light @ Lake Raccourci
 - c. Butterfly Net Ordinance
 - d. Recreational facilities at Recreational Boat Launch
 - e. Mooring anchors
 - f. Permit applications
 - g. Lease development update
8. Any other business
9. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
MARCH 21, 1989

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session in the Conference Room of the Commission Administration Building in Galliano, Louisiana, on Tuesday, March 21, 1989, at 10:30 AM pursuant to the provision of due notice in writing to each and every member thereof and duly posted in the manner provided by law.

President Tomey J. Doucet called the meeting to order and requested that the Secretary called the roll.

There were present: Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Donald J. Vizier, Dudley Bernard, Robert M. Champagne, Brent A. Duet, Tomey J. Doucet, Allen J. Danos and Rodney "PT" Terrebonne

There were absent: Roland J. Guidry

Also present were Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director; George J. Ledet, Jr., Port Attorney; and John Plaisance II, Marco Picciola, Larry Picciola, Port Engineers.

Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Robert M. Champagne and unanimously passed, the minutes of the special meeting of February 3, 1989 were approved.

Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Robert M. Champagne and unanimously passed, the minutes of the regular meeting of February 14, 1989 were approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Doucet stated that Blue Lightning Strike Force (a division of US Customs) had donated a 19' Cobia hull with 70 HP Evinrude engine to the Commission. This boat will be used by the Harbor Police to patrol the Port area.

President Doucet further stated that a question had arisen in connection with the official name of the canal stated in Ordinance No. 49. The official name of the canal (from Little Lake to Caminada Bay) is Southwest Louisiana Canal.

President Doucet further stated that some board members had attended the Louisiana Ports Association Convention held last week in Thibodaux. The convention was hosted by the Commission. He read a letter from the director of the South Tangipahoa Port Commission thanking this Commission for making the conference a great success. Board Member Duet stated that the convention was a big success because of the efforts of Director Falgout. President Doucet added that it now appears that ports are working together to bring industries to Louisiana for the betterment of the state, and the Ports Association is responsible for organizing the ports.

President Doucet further reported that the Commission will install plug ins for limited use at the loading zone at Nerby Collins Marina. Director Falgout stated that the plug ins will be located at two locations, one at the entrance to the Marina and one at the repair zone on the east side.

LEGAL PERMITS & WATERWAYS COMMITTEE:

Upon motion by Allen J. Danos, seconded by Robert M. Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize sending letters of no objection to the following applicants:

Fina Oil & Chemical Company
Constantin Land Trust
Statex Petroleum, Inc.

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Chairman Bernard reported that the Construction & Development Committee had met and recommend the following to the Board:

Director Falgout has advised that Amoco was donating concrete platforms, concrete walkways and 200 concrete pilings to the Commission. Board Member Vizier was instrumental in obtaining these materials. Director Falgout stated that the plan is to place pilings along LA 3090 to stop erosion, at the boat launch and other places where needed. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Donald Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the donation of concrete platforms, walkways and pilings from Amoco.

Chairman Bernard further stated that ODECO had brought a rig into the Port for repairs. The rig is docked at the unloading zone because of the unavailability and lack of water depth in the Theriot slip. The rig was originally scheduled to be there for a few days; however, ODECO informed the Commission that they plan to be there for approximately ninety days. Therefore, because of the length of stay and the fact that they plan to employ approximately 50 local people to repair the rig, the Committee recommends that the Board charge \$450.00 per day rather than the normal fee of \$600.00 per day. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Robert M. Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby agree to charge a fee of \$450.00 per day to ODECO for the dockage of their rig at Port Fourchon.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Upon motion by Brent A. Duet, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the financial report for February, 1989.

Upon motion by Brent A. Duet, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously passed, the invoices for the previous month were approved.

Chairman Duet stated that the Finance Committee had discussed the offloading fee for Commercial use of the zone at Nerby Collins Marina, and will have a recommendation at the next meeting. President Doucet clarified that there is an established fee, but the Board is looking into adjusting the fee.

Treasurer Duet stated that the Commission had removed one police unit from service because it contained over 140,000 miles. He further stated that the

Executive Committee recommended donating the vehicle to the Port Fourchon Fire Department with the recommendation that they do not sell the vehicle. Upon motion by Brent Duet, seconded by Robert M. Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby agree to donate a 1986 Dodge Ramcharger to the Port Fourchon Fire Department with the recommendation that they do not sell the vehicle. Harbor Police Chief Guidry stated that the Fire District answers all radio calls and acts as liaison between the Harbor Police and Blue Lightning Strike Force for the Commission.

Board Member Duet stated that the Committee feels that the Commission should be protected at times when contractors or any company doing work for the Commission are employed by the Commission. He recommends that these contractors and companies submit certificates of insurance in order to protect the Commission from any liability. He stated that the Committee will obtain more information from the insurance agent and present it at the next meeting.

President Doucet stated that the Committee had met to discuss pay increases for unclassified employees, Ted Falgout and Gerald Guidry. He stated that salary increases are usually reviewed in January; however, it was delayed because the new board was installed. Therefore, it is the Committee's recommendation that Director Falgout receive a 5% increase and Chief Guidry receive a 10% increase, retroactive to January 1, 1989. Even with these increases, President Doucet stated that the director's salary is below those of other port directors, and he gave examples of these salaries. He further stated that Chief Guidry had not received an increase since he was employed in 1987. Therefore, he was given 10%.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Director Falgout called upon Port Engineer John Plaisance for a report on the bulkheading and improvement at Port Fourchon. Mr. Plaisance stated that the bulkheading had been completed and the dredging was 75% complete, and should be finished in the next week or so. He then recommended partial payment to Plaisance Dragline in the amount of \$64,263.80, and presented a change order for an additional 88 cubic yards of shells to fill behind the bulkhead. Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Brent A. Duet and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve payment to Plaisance Dragline & Dredging Co. in the amount of \$64,263.80, and does hereby approve the change order for an additional 88 cubic yards of shells in connection with the Bulkheading and Improvements to Port Fourchon Industrial Park project.

Director Falgout stated that quotes had been obtained from E & L Enterprises, Harris Dufrene Enterprises, Plaisance Dragline and Cypress Oilfield Services in connection with the construction of a light at Lake Raccourci. The quotes given were in the range of \$2,982 to \$9,248. He recommended accepting the low quote of \$2,982 by Plaisance Dragline. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Donald Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the low quote of \$2,982 by Plaisance Dragline & Dredging Co. in connection with the construction of a beacon light at Lake Raccourci.

In connection with Port Ordinance No. 49 adopted by the Board at an earlier meeting, Director Falgout stated that the District Attorney had requested that the Commission hold off on enforcing the ordinance until he could get an opinion as to whether or not it conflicts with the Wildlife & Fisheries regulations which authorize butterfly netting in Louisiana waters. The District Attorney then

informed Director Falgout that there was no conflict, and the Commission could enforce the ordinance.

Continuing, Director Falgout stated that in connection with the construction of restroom facilities and/or telephone service at the boat launch, he had contacted Lt. Gov. Paul Hardy who is Commissioner of Culture, Recreation and Tourism Dept. about assistance to construct these or better facilities. He will meet with Lt. Gov. Hardy tomorrow and will have more information by the next week.

Director Falgout reported that in connection with the permit application for the dredging of the Flotation Canal, he had met with environmental agency representatives (who review permits) and they visited the project site. The application stated that 50% of the spoils would be placed on the Flotation Canal levee and 50% to create a marsh on the northern perimeter of the canal. The representatives of the environmental agencies and TL James & Co. (who is familiar with what dredging machinery can do) recommended placing all the material on the northern perimeter to create more marsh. Therefore, he will amend the application accordingly.

In connection with the dredging of Bayou Lafourche, Director Falgout stated that he had been informed that state law requires public notice to all landowners adjacent to the project area before dredging commences. Because identifying every landowner along Bayou Lafourche (in the Commission jurisdiction) would be complex and costly, he is trying to convince the state and their legal department that the Commission could notify the public by other means, such as through the news media or notification of a particular landowner where the spoil would be removed; therefore, allowing the landowner the opportunity to object or not object to the dredging. He stated he hopes to have a decision by the next meeting.

In connection with lease development update, Director Falgout stated he had received inquiries to lease property, particularly the 620' waterfront site almost complete.

President Doucet recognized Mr. David Krebs of Trip Seafood who gave an update on the progress of his facility at Port Fourchon.

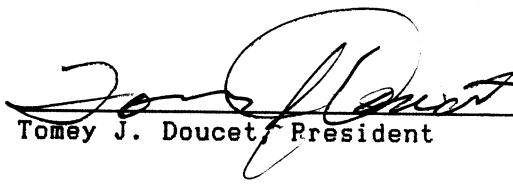
President Doucet then recognized Mr. Perry Gisclair of Computer Support services, who installed the new computer system for the office. Mr. Gisclair thanked the Board for using his service.

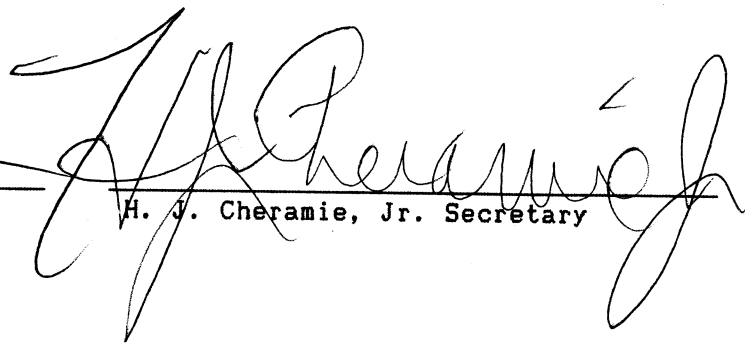
A member of the audience was recognized and he inquired into the Commission placing shells along the E-slip where the lift barges dock. President Doucet informed him that the Construction & Development Committee will discuss this and have a decision by the next meeting.

Board Member Cheramie inquired why the Commission could not hold its special election in April (to coincide with the Governor's tax plan election) rather than in October. Director Falgout informed him that he had looked into this and was informed that twelve weeks was required for qualifications, etc. because the Commission election involved candidates.

There being no further business, upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Robert M. Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board adjourned.

ATTEST:


Tomey J. Doucet, President


H. J. Cheramie, Jr. Secretary