

AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 12, 1989

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of minutes of August 8, 1989 meeting
4. President's Report:
 - a. Port Fourchon Blockade
 - b. Bayou Clean Up
5. Committee Report:
 - I. Legal, Permits & Waterways
 - a. Letters of No Objection
 - b. Evaluation of Ordinance No. 50
 - c. Advertise for Bids-Dredging of Belle Pass
 - II. Construction & Development
 - a. Port Fourchon Administration Building Update
 - III. Finance
 - a. August Invoices
 - b. Finance Report
 - c. Port Brochure
 - d. Emergency Purchase of Vehicle
 - IV. Executive
 - a. Selection of Engineer for Dredging Belle Pass Project
6. Executive Director:
 - a. Sea Lift IV Sale
 - b. Flotation Canal Dredging Update
 - c. Transportation Trust Fund
7. Other Business
 - a. Mayor Andy Valence - Town of Grand Isle Beach Protection
8. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

SEPTEMBER 12, 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, September 12, 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. In the absence of the Secretary, President Doucet requested that Board Member Rodney J. Terrebonne call the roll.

PRESENT: Rodney J. Terrebonne, Allen J. Danos, Brent A. Duet, Tomey J. Doucet, Donald J. Vizier, Dudley Bernard and Roland J. Guidry

ABSENT: Robert M. Champagne

Board Member Harrison J. Cheramie, Jr., entered the meeting. Also present were Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director; George J. Ledet, Jr., Port Attorney; Marco Picciola, II, Larry J. Picciola and Keith Angelette (of J. Wayne Plaisance, Inc.), Port Engineers; Edmond A. Cheramie, Port Architect; and Louverda A. Duet, Port Secretary.

Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Allen J. Danos and unanimously passed, the minutes of the regular meeting of August 8, 1989 were approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Doucet stated that one phase of the bayou clean up had been completed. He gave the following particulars of items removed from the bayou: From Larose pontoon bridge to Golden Meadow bridge - 626 pilings, 96 small posts, 16 old freezers, 6 sets of trawl boards, 6 old car bodies. Below the Golden Meadow bridge - 476 pilings, 2 sets of trawl boards, 1 car body, 12 sunken boats, app. 20 tons of cable. President Doucet further stated that the Commission will enforce the ordinances in connection with sunken vessels and throwing trash in the bayou.

LEGAL, PERMITS AND WATERWAYS:

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

General Agricultural Service & Little Lake Land Co.
Mr. Nolan Gaspard
Exxon Company, USA
Convexx Oil & Gas Company
A & P Boat Rentals, Inc.
Mr. Vories Pierce

Board Member Roland J. Guidry informed the Board that the Committee met to further evaluate Port Ordinance No. 50. After recommendation by the Committee, Mr. Guidry presented the following motion: That the Commission suspend the enforcement of Port Ordinance No. 50 until June 1, 1990, at which time it will be re-evaluated. During the interim, all vessels net fishing in the channel at night shall have proper lighting in accordance with Wildlife & Fisheries regulations and shall have a VHF radio on board, which shall monitor Channel 13. All vessel operators must also be knowledgeable of US Coast Guard and La. Wildlife & Fisheries safety rules. The enforcement of this ordinance can be reinstated with twenty-four (24) hour public notice, at any time the Commission deems it necessary. The motion was seconded by Brent A. Duet. Board Member Danos stated that after seeing first hand, he is concerned about the safety of the shrimpers and feels that the ordinance should not be suspended. The members further expressed their opinions in connection with enforcement and/or suspension of thereof. Board Member Cheramie called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows:

Roland J. Guidry	Aye
Dudley Bernard	Aye
Donald J. Vizier	Aye
Tomey J. Doucet	Nay
Brent A. Duet	Aye
Allen J. Danos	Nay
Rodney J. Terrebonne	Aye
Harrison Cheramie, Jr.	Aye

The vote being six (6) ayes and two (2) nays, the motion passed.

Board Member Guidry stated that the Committee recommended that the Commission advertise for bids for the dredging of Belle Pass. Upon motion by Roland J. Guidry, seconded by Allen J. Danos and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Director Falgout to advertise for and accept bids in connection with the dredging of Belle Pass.

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT:

Chairman Bernard called upon Port Architect Edmond A. Cheramie who presented the final plan for the Port Fourchon building. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Director Falgout to advertise for and accept bids in connection with the "Construction of the Port Fourchon Administration Building."

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Upon motion by Brent A. Duet, seconded by Donald J. Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve payments of invoices for the previous month.

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 August, 1989.

Chairman Duet informed the Board that Mr. Al Bankston of Baton Rouge Printing presented a preliminary outline of the new brochure to the Finance Committee. He further stated that the brochure should be available by December or January.

Chairman Duet informed the Board that because of the untimely breakdown of one vehicle, there is a need to purchase a new vehicle on an emergency basis. Quotes were obtained as follows:

Cliff's Motor Co.	1989 Dodge Ramcharger	\$13,896
Southland Motors	1989 Dodge Ramcharger	\$13,993
Stone Motors, Inc.	1989 Suburban	\$15,750

Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Roland J. Guidry and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the low bid by Cliff's Motor Co. in the amount of \$13,896 for a 1989 Dodge Ramcharger in connection with the emergency purchase of a new vehicle.

Chairman Duet reported that an article had appeared recently in the Houma Courier, which was very good publicity for the Port.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Chairman Doucet reported that the Committee met in connection with selecting an engineer for the dredging of Belle Pass, and recommended hiring the firm of J. Wayne Plaisance, Inc. Upon motion by Brent A. Duet, Seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby employ the engineering firm of J. Wayne Plaisance, Inc. in connection with the "Dredging of Belle Pass." Director Falgout explained that traditionally every three years the vicinity within the jetty system to approximately 1,000' outside the system has to be dredged because of siltation.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

In connection with the SEA LIFT IV, Director Falgout called upon Port Attorney Ledet who reported that all legal procedures have been followed in connection with the sale and removal of the vessel. Therefore, Mr. Ledet stated that President Doucet should be authorized to execute an act of sale for said vessel to any interested purchaser. Director Falgout stated that several months ago the Commission had advertised for and received quotes for the sale and removal of the vessel. The only quote received was from WC Scrap Company in the amount of \$10,000. Therefore, this name has to be submitted to the Coast Guard for approval. Director Falgout further mentioned that Congressman Tauzin was helpful in getting the Coast Guard to respond to the request to sell this vessel. Board Member Guidry made the following motion: That the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the sale of the SEA LIFT IV to WC Scrap Company in the amount of \$10,000.00, providing that a marine survey is in line with the quote received from said company. Board Member Vizier called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows:

Roland J. Guidry	Aye
Dudley Bernard	Aye
Donald J. Vizier	Nay
Tomey J. Doucet	Aye
Brent A. Duet	Aye
Allen J. Danos	Aye
Rodney J. Terrebonne	Nay
Harrison Cheramie, Jr.	Aye

The vote being six (6) ayes and two (2) nays, the motion passed.

Director Falgout called upon Port Engineer Larry J. Picciola who reported that bids in connection with the dredging of the Flotation Canal will be opened at the October 10th meeting of the Commission. Director Falgout further stated that one of the benefits of the dredging is to create a marsh on the sides of the canal.

Continuing, Director Falgout informed the Board that Amendment No. 1 (Transportation Trust Fund) will be on the October ballot. He explained that this fund would dedicate revenues generated by the gasoline tax to highway and transportation improvements. He further explained it in detail, and requested that the Board support this amendment. Discussion followed, and President Doucet called for a roll call vote: The vote was as follows:

Roland J. Guidry	For
Dudley Bernard	Against
Donald J. Vizier	Against
Tomey J. Doucet	For
Brent A. Duet	For
Allen J. Danos	For
Rodney J. Terrebonne	Against
Harrison Cheramie, Jr.	Against

In connection with the recreational boat launch, Director Falgout reported that he had been notified by Wildlife & Fisheries that this project had not been funded by the Breaux-Wallop Fund because of their requirement that the project be located within sixty miles of a populated area. Director Falgout stated, however, that the request for funding to the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism will be reviewed and a decision made in November. He further stated that he prepared a comment to Wildlife & Fisheries stating that their guidelines are discriminating to coastal parishes and/or projects around the water.

OTHER BUSINESS:

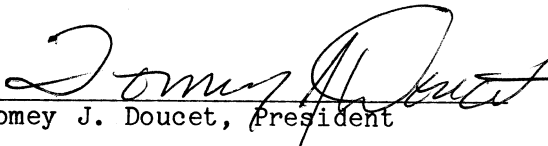
Board Member Cheramie asked about the disposition of the barge-type vessel removed from Lake Raccourci by our maintenance personnel. Board Member Duet informed him that an investigation is being made to identify and locate the owner, and then the Commission will proceed accordingly.

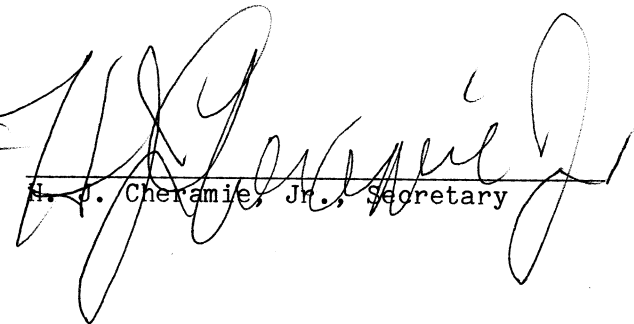
President Doucet introduced Mayor Andy Valance of Grand Isle, who presented his jetty system to further prevent beach erosion on the island.

A member of the audience (a local contractor) questioned the Board about Mr. Edmond Cheramie being hired as the architect for the Port Fourchon building, since he (Mr. Cheramie) is employed by a local contractor. Director Falgout informed him that the Board did consider that point. Prior to hiring Mr. Cheramie, he and the contractor were made aware of the fact that the contractor will not be able to bid on the project. The contractor agreed not to bid; however, he can request that the State Ethics Commission grant approval to bid on the project.

There being no further business, upon motion by Roland J. Guidry, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously passed, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:


Tomey J. Doucet, President


H. J. Cheramie, Jr., Secretary