

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
JULY 9, 1991

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, July 9, 1991, 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 Doucet called the meeting to order and requested that Board Member Cheramie call the roll.

PRESENT: Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Rodney Terrebonne, Vinton Crosby, Robert Champagne, Donald Vizier, Toney Doucet and Dudley Bernard

ABSENT: Brent Duet and Roland Guidry

Also present were Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director; John J. Plaisance, Marco Picciola and Larry J. Picciola, Port Engineers; Gerald A. Guidry, Harbor Police Chief; and Louverda A. Duet; Port Secretary.

President Doucet then led in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Robert M. Champagne and unanimously passed, the minutes of the regular meeting of June 11, 1991 were approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Doucet announced the formation of a task force to get state and/or federal aid for the repair, maintenance and improvement of LA 1 between Golden Meadow and Grand Isle and the bridges in these areas. This task force will be represented by local companies who are interested in solving the major problem which exists in connection with this highway. The group will meet for the first time later this month.

President Doucet then called upon Mr. Johnny Melancon who gave a report on the Golden Meadow Tarpon Rodeo recently held in the new pavilion at Port Fourchon.

LEGAL, PERMITS & WATERWAYS:

Upon motion by Robert M. Champagne, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve sending letters of no objection to the following applicants:

Chevron Pipeline Company
Lafourche Telephone Company, Inc.
Chevron USA, Inc.

Continuing, Mr. Champagne stated that the Committee is looking into the possibility of driving pilings south of the Golden Meadow floodgates for emergency use.

He then called upon Director Falgout for a report on the dredging operation in Bayou Lafourche. Director Falgout stated that the dredge is approaching the Golden Meadow bridge. There is a general misconception on the part of the public in that they believe the Commission is responsible for this project. The Commission is willing to help the public contact the dredge operator if a problem occurs. Director Falgout stated he had been informed that the project should be complete in about a month.

In connection with Mr. Champagne's report on placing piles near the floodgate, Director Falgout stated that during times when the floodgate has to be closed, a problem exists with vessels waiting for them to open. Therefore, he should be authorized to investigate the feasibility of placing mooring piles in the vicinity of the gates. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard seconded by Vinton Crosby and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Director Falgout to look into the feasibility of placing mooring piles in the vicinity of the Golden Meadow floodgate. Discussion followed.

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT:

Chairman Bernard stated that a request had been received from M-I Drilling to sublease a portion of their tract to L & L Oil Company for the purpose of placing a fuel tank for servicing their facility. The Committee recommends approving same. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Rodney J. Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request by M-I Drilling Fluids to sublease a portion of their lease site to L & L Oil Company, Inc. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that President Doucet be and he is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate said sub-lease.

Chairman Bernard further stated that a request had been received from Campbell Wells to cancel their lease effective January 15, 1992 and, in the interim, be allowed to sublease to M-I Drilling Fluids. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Rodney J. Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the cancellation of lease from Campbell Wells Corporation, effective January 15, 1992. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the sub-lease by Campbell Wells Corporation to M-I Drilling Fluids. Chairman Bernard further stated that M-I is negotiating to lease the property now under lease to Campbell Wells. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Rodney J. Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize leasing property located at Port Fourchon to M-I Drilling Fluids. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Tomey J. Doucet, President, to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate said lease, all on such terms and conditions as he in his discretion may deem necessary and advisable.

Chairman Bernard then called upon Director Falgout for a report on the BJ Services lease. Director Falgout reported that the Commission had installed the bulkhead and dredged the site. However, since it was a year or more since BJ moved onto the site, there is shoaling along the bulkhead. They have requested assistance from the Commission to dredge same. After reviewing their lease, Director Falgout has determined that this is not the Commission's responsibility if shoaling occurs within their 75' of waterway. However, in looking at the cross sections of the dredging, it was ascertained that there is an area on the eastern most corner of the bulkhead that was not dredged to a -19 MSL because the contractor was leery about getting too close to the site (which may have caused a cave in of the bank). Director Falgout recommends, and the Committee concurs, that the Commission be responsible for removing the amount of material left above the as-built drawing in that corner. Any additional material to be removed would be the responsibility of BJ Services. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Robert M. Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the removal of any amount of material left above the as-built drawing on the eastern most corner of the bulkhead in front of the BJ Services lease.

Chairman Bernard stated that Evergreen Helicopters is requesting to lease property at Port Fourchon and called upon Director Falgout to further explain. Director Falgout stated that the request was for property being leased from the Caillouets. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Vinton J. Crosby and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does approve leasing property at

Port Fourchon to Evergreen Helicopters, Inc. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that President Doucet be and he is hereby authorized to execute a Surface Lease with Evergreen Helicopters, Inc., on such terms and conditions as he in his discretion may deem necessary and advisable.

FINANCE:

Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Donald J. Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the payment of all invoices received during the past month.

Upon motion by Donald J. Vizier, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the financial report for June, 1991.

President Doucet then called upon Mr. Tommy Lanaux with Bergeron & Co. who presented the audit report for 1990 to the Board for approval. Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Rodney J. Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the Audit Report for the year ended December 31, 1990.

EXECUTIVE:

President Doucet reported that the lease with Trip Seafood, Inc. had been cancelled at the last meeting. George Ledet, Port Attorney, is handling the legal aspect.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

In connection with the pavilion and bathroom facilities, Director Falgout called upon John Plaisance, who reported that the bulk of the pavilion and bathroom building is complete. The bathroom has not been finished due to the delivery of the plumbing fixtures. He anticipates delivery of these fixtures this month. The Board then discussed adding doors to the bathroom at a later date since this was not contained in the contract.

In connection with the slip repairs and fendering system, Director Falgout called upon Larry Picciola, who reported that the contractor had completed the work. A final inspection was made by Director Falgout, Larry Hebert of Low Land Construction and himself. The project was found to be in order and substantially complete. Mr. Picciola then presented a change order and the certificate of substantial completion to the Board. Upon motion by Robert M. Champagne, seconded by Rodney J. Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve Change Order No. 1 in connection with the Slip Repairs and Fendering System project. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept, as substantially complete, the project entitled "Slip Repairs and Fendering System" at Port Fourchon.

In relation to the above project, Director Falgout reported that when Deepwater Port Services leased the slip, they had installed a bulkhead system and tied it in with the existing bulkhead. The existing bulkhead was leaning, causing a gap to exist at the mud line, which was not known until the above project was in progress. When a mooring pile was driven, material was dislodged causing a cave

in which must be repaired. Director Falgout will investigate this problem, which must be repaired immediately.

In connection with the multi-use dock project, Director Falgout called upon John Plaisance who reported the Dept. of Transportation & Development has reviewed the plans and specifications, are the minor changes they requested are being made. The corrected plans and specifications should be back in Baton Rouge by the beginning of next week. EDA has also reviewed the plans and specifications and had no major comments.

In connection with the EDA application, Director Falgout stated that since the Commission does not actually own the property, EDA requires that servitudes be obtained from the landowner. LL&E has agreed to grant servitudes acceptable to EDA. The review has been moved to Washington, where a decision has to be made by September.

In connection with LA 1 erosion, Director Falgout stated that he met with Chevron engineers, who assured him that the first barge should be here around the 15th. Commission personnel will assist in the project. It is estimated that the work should be completed within ten days from the day of commencement.

In connection with the siltation in Belle Pass, Director Falgout stated that FEMA representatives will be coming tomorrow to review our claim.

In connection with the Corps assumption of maintenance of Belle Pass, Director Falgout stated that the cost figure had been reduced to \$103,000, of which the Commission will share 50% thereof.

In connection with the Nolty J. Theriot, Inc. leases, the new leases will commence August 1st. They will lease Tract 1 and 5 at the new multi-use dock and half of the slip recently repaired.


Director Falgout welcomed Mr. Irvin Melancon, the new Assistant Port Director, who commenced working on July 1st.

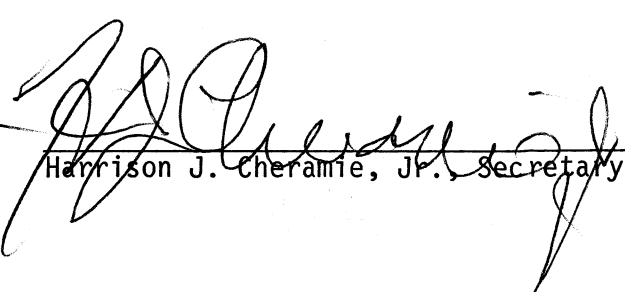
OTHER BUSINESS:

President Doucet introduced Mrs. Velma Callais Rogers, Mr. Mitch Theriot and Mr. Wade Richoux, who are candidates for State Representative. Each addressed the Board.

There being no further business, upon motion by Robert M. Champagne, seconded by Rodney J. Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:


Tomey J. Doucet, President


Harrison J. Cheramie, Jr., Secretary