

GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

DECEMBER 13, 1995

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 Wednesday, December 13, 1995, 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 prescribed by law.

President Doucet called the meeting to order and requested that Secretary Cheramie call the roll.

PRESENT: Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Rodney Terrebonne, Vinton Crosby, Johnny Melancon, Tomey Doucet, Robert Champagne, Donald Vizier, Dudley Bernard, and Larry Griffin

ABSENT: None

Also present were Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director; Davie J. Breaux, Asst. Director; John J. Plaisance, Marco Picciola II and Larry J. Picciola, Port Engineers; Loulan Pitre, Port Attorney; Gerald A. Guidry, Harbor Police Chief; Louverda A. Duet, Port Secretary; and Susan A. Martin, Port Accountant.

President Doucet led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Vinton J. Crosby and unanimously passed, the minutes of the regular meeting of November 8, 1995 were approved.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

President Doucet reported that John W. Stone Oil Distributors requested a first right of refusal of the 200' of property adjoined their site. The Committee recommends approving same. Upon motion by Rodney Terrebonne, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request by John W. Stone Oil Distributors, Inc. for a first right of refusal in connection with 200' of property adjoinging their current site.

Board Member Johnny Melancon made a motion to curtail the leasing of property at the public oilfield dock. It was seconded by Robert Champagne and unanimously adopted.

President Doucet reported that Director Falgout and members of the Board had attended the Fire District meeting to establish a plan for fire protection at the Port. Since the Port is an industrial area and not residential, there is a problem getting volunteers.

President Doucet informed the Board that the Committee recommends allowing Director Falgout to negotiate with the Constantins to lease property at the Port to contract an office building and warehouse. Director Falgout explained that the tract is approximately three acres in front of the commercial marina adjoinging Commission property. Gator Ready Mix is currently located on the site; however, the Constantins have advised Director Falgout that if the Commission can work out a plan to relocate Gator, they will lease to the Commission for 99 years at a rental and under terms similar to the Gator lease. Upon motion by Larry J. Griffin, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Director Falgout to negotiate a lease with Constantin Land Trust for the purpose of constructing an office building and warehouse.

LEGAL, PERMITS & WATERWAYS:

Upon motion by Robert Champagne, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the following applicants for letters of no objection were approved:

Mr. Bob Duet
Mr. Ted Martin
Chevron USA, Inc.
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Foreman Petroleum Corporation
Mr. David Dardar
Mr. Joseph Leonard III
Gary A. Lee, W. H. Harrison et al
Shell Pipeline Corporation

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT:

Chairman Bernard stated that a request had been received form Offshore Logistics to lease additional property at the Port. Director Falgout explained that they are interested in the one acre site adjacent to the current site for the purpose of expanding their parking lot. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Larry J. Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request by Offshore Logistics, Inc. to lease approximately one acre of property adjacent to their current site at Port Fourchon.

Chairman Bernard stated that Anchor Drilling was also interested in leasing a site adjacent to their property to expand same. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request by Anchor Drilling Fluids for additional property adjacent to the current site at Port Fourchon.

Chairman Bernard then informed the Board that Edison Chouest Offshore was interested in leasing property under their right of first refusal. Director Falgout explained that they are interested in 339' of bulkhead (under construction) and 395' of non-bulkheaded property by 150' towards the back. Mr. Gary Chouest of Edison Chouest Offshore explained the proposed facility they plan to construct at the Port. Discussion followed. Upon motion by Robert Champagne, seconded by Larry Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request by Edison Chouest Offshore to lease property at Port Fourchon, upon such terms and conditions as contained in said lease.

Chairman Bernard informed the Board that Martin Terminal was interested in leasing property to expand their parking area. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request by Martin Terminal, Inc. to lease additional property at Port Fourchon to expand their parking area.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the payment of the invoices received the previous month.

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the financial report for November, 1995.

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Robert Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve payment of the invoice from Stranco, Inc. in the amount of \$43,037.18.

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the payment of the invoice to Plaisance Dragline & Dredging Company in the amount of \$78,747.31.

Chairman Vizier then presented the 1996 budgets to the Commission for adoption. He explained that the proposed budget included a 4% salary increase for all unclassified employees effective January 1, 1996. He went on to explain several other key elements of the income and expenditure side of the proposed budget. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Robert Champagne, the following was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the General Fund Budget for the year 1996 be and the same is hereby adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission to serve as the operating budget for said Commission, for the same period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Capital Project Fund Budget for the year 1996 be and the same is hereby adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission to serve as the construction budget for the said Commission, for the same period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Debt Service Fund Budget for the year 1996 be and the same is hereby adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission to serve as the debt service fund budget for said Commission,, for the same period.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Director Falgout called upon the project engineers for reports on the ongoing projects at Port Fourchon:

WAREHOUSE FACILITY - John Plaisance reported that the contractor has begun to close in the building and was progressing in accordance with the contract.

MULTI USE DOCK EXTENSION - Marco Picciola reported that the concrete tie back system was poured last Friday. The dredging phase was started on December 4th. Work is continuing on the steel sheet piling. Work accomplished thus far is 53% with 66% of the time elapsed.

E-SLIP BULKHEAD EXTENSION - Larry Picciola reported that the timber piles are on the job site and the pile driving for the concrete deadman started earlier this week. Details are being worked out to save sale tax on materials . Mr. Picciola is requesting approval to pay the contractor up to \$75,000.00 within the next two weeks for this month's estimate; said figure to be determined once all paper work has been completed for tax exemption and a waiver obtained from the contractor's bank. Mr. Picciola stated that this request is contingent upon review and approval by the engineer and the Port's attorney. Upon motion by Rodney Terrebonne, seconded by Robert Champagne and adopted, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the payment of up to \$75,000.00 to Team Services, Inc. within the next two weeks for this month's estimate, upon review and approval by the project engineer and the Port's attorney. Board Member Vinton Crosby and Johnny Melancon opposed the motion.

In connection with dredging of the Pass, Director Falgout reported that the Chouest project had impacted the deep draft (Port Priority) project. However, he consulted with DOTD and they agreed that the Commission can relocate the 300' of bulkhead to the North and we are still in line for construction funds. In connection with the West Bell Pass project, Director Falgout stated that they are getting oyster lease assessments in the area. He stated that DNR will forward the leases to the Commission to get approval from the leaseholders to allow Dr. Kilgen to do the assessment.

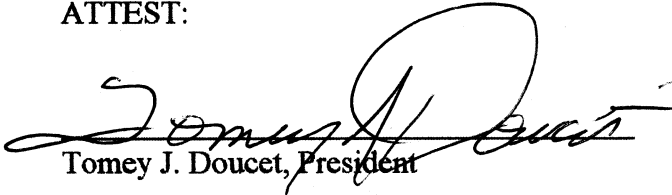
President Doucet stated Mr. Roland Guidry, Oil Spill Coordinator for the state, has requested support from the Commission to retain his position. He has requested that the Commission draft a resolution to forward to Governor-Elect Foster. Upon motion by Larry J. Griffin, seconded by Robert M. Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Director Falgout to draft a resolution to be forwarded to Governor-Elect Foster to retain the services for Mr. Guidry as the Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator.

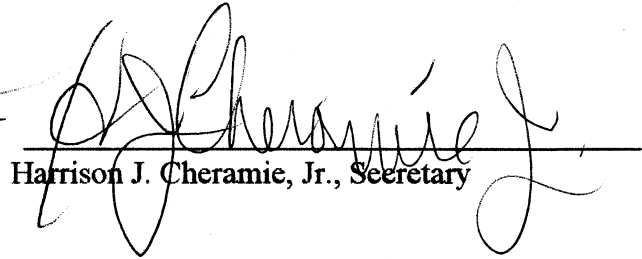
OTHER BUSINESS:

President Doucet called upon Mr. Vic Lafont with the South Louisiana Economic Council who addressed the Board in connection with SLEC's status. Discussion followed.

There being no further business, upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Donald Vizier and unanimously passed, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:


Tomey J. Doucet, President


Harrison J. Ceramic, Jr., Secretary