

Agenda

September 11, 1996

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of minutes of August 14, 1996 Board Meeting
5. Committee Reports:
 - I. Executive:
 - A. Request for sublease approvals by Martin Terminal
 - B. Emergency dredging of Pass Fourchon
 - C. Inspection of dredges
 - D. Bobby Eymard wharf repair
 - II. Legal, Permits, Waterways:
 - A. Letter of No Objection
 - B. Request by Jimmy Martin concerning fishing in channel
 - III. Construction & Development:
 - A. Approve lease with Walsh Environmental
 - B. Approve lease with Gulf South Systems, Inc.
 - IV. Finance:
 - A. August Invoices
 - B. Financial Report
 - C. Approve Invoice from Cajun Trucking for \$44,764.06
6. Executive Director's Report
 - A. E-Slip Expansion
 - B. Multi Use Dock Extension
 - C. E-Slip Bulkhead
7. Any other business
8. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 11, 1996

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, September 11, 1996, 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 J. Terrebonne, Vinton J. Crosby, Johnny Melancon, Robert M. Champagne, Donald J. Vizier, Dudley A. Bernard, and Larry Griffin

ABSENT: None

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

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

Upon motion by Robert M. Champagne, seconded by Dudley A. Bernard, and unanimously passed, the minutes of the August 14, 1996, regular meeting were approved.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

President Doucet stated that Ted Martin of Martin Terminal has requested approval to renew several of their subleases. After review the Committee recommends approval. Upon motion by Larry J. Griffin, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby grant approval to Martin Terminal, Inc. to renew leases with ACE Transportation, Petroleum Helicopters, Inc., Francis Drilling Fluids, and Dowell Schlumberger.

President Doucet stated that the Commission will have to do emergency dredging at the Port and requested that Director Falgout explain. Director Falgout stated that he had received a call from Tetra (located at the L & L Dock) about shoaling just before the dock. They expressed concern that it may be the CO2 pipeline; however, Commission personnel took cross sections from the beginning of the Amoco lease to the marina and there is a shallow area. Tetra stated that they want to service Shell vessels; however, Shell will not come to their dock because of the shallow spots. Director Falgout stated that the Commission is looking at different aspects of dredging. Using a bucket dredge approximately 30,000 cubic yards of material can be removed and placed along the bank in that area. Using a hydraulic dredge (which is already in the Port) could present a problem in that the spoil disposal area is not close to the project. Director Falgout stated that if the Board authorizes emergency dredging, we can get quotes and award the contract for the lowest quote to avoid the

lengthy process of bidding the project and provide immediate relief to L & L Oil Company. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize emergency dredging in Pass Fourchon, and does hereby authorize Director Falgout to request and receive quotes in connection therewith.

LEGAL, PERMITS & WATERWAYS:

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

BP Oil Production Company
Mr. Milton Lefort
Apache Corporation
Lafourche Parish Council, CZM

Chairman Champagne stated that the Committee objected to the application filed by Texaco Exploration and asked that Director Falgout explain. Director Falgout explained that Texaco is proposing to install a pipeline in Havoline Canal. Since it is the intent of the Commission and other interests to establish a 12' x 300' channel along the former Freeport Sulphur Channel which connects the Havoline Canal to the Houma Navigation Channel, the Commission should request that the proposed pipeline be buried a minimum of -20 MSL x 300' where it crosses the Havoline Canal. Upon motion by Robert M. Champagne, seconded by Donald J. Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby object to a portion of the permit application by Texaco Exploration & Production, Inc. and requests that Texaco modify the permit to bury the proposed pipeline a minimum of -20 MSL x 300 ft. where it crosses the Havoline Canal since it is the intent of the Commission, as well as other interests, to establish 12' x 300' channel along the former Freeport Sulphur Channel which connects the Havoline Canal to the Houma Navigation Channel.

President Doucet stated that Mr. Jimmy Martin addressed the Navigation Committee about safety concerns between oilfield vessels and fishing vessels at the Port. Director Falgout explained that Mr. Martin had approached the Permits and Waterways Committee about this problem. Mr. Martin was of the opinion that the Commission had an ordinance prohibiting shrimping or butterflying in Bayou Lafourche in the vicinity of the Port. The Commission does not have an ordinance to this effect; however, there is an ordinance impacting Pass Fourchon and the area within the jetty system (which was suspended provided fishermen monitor on VHF). Mr. Martin requested that the Commission consider adopting such an ordinance for Bayou Lafourche. He stated that there were numerous problems with fishing vessels and oil field vessels in the Port. Director Falgout stated that the Commission had not received any reports of close encounters. He further stated that if the Board agrees, Commission personnel will speak to oilfield vessel operators about any encounters that may have occurred. An opinion was asked of a fisherman in the audience, Mr. Hebert Charpentier, who stated that the rules of the road state that a vessel is not supposed to impede the passage of a vessel

65' or larger. Discussion followed. Upon motion by Robert M. Champagne, seconded by Donald J. Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Director Falgout to look into the problems between fishing vessels and oilfield vessels at Port Fourchon for further recommendation.

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT:

Chairman Bernard stated that Walsh Environmental had requested to lease property at the Port and requested that Director Falgout further explain. Director Falgout stated that they were looking to lease a site on Hwy 3090 to be used as a facility to provide environmental services. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Robert M. Champagne and unanimously passed, the board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request by Walsh Environmental to lease property on LA 3090, and does hereby authorize President Doucet to execute a Surface Lease with Walsh Environmental upon the terms and conditions contained therein.

Chairman Bernard stated that Gulf South Systems had requested to lease property on A. J. Estay Road. Director Falgout stated that they were looking at the old CO2 site for the purpose of storing tanks. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request by Gulf South Systems, Inc. to lease property on A. J. Estay Road, and does hereby authorize President Doucet to execute a Surface Lease with Gulf South Systems, Inc., upon the terms and conditions contained therein.

FINANCE:

Chairman Vizier requested that Board Member Melancon conduct the business of the Finance Committee.

Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve payment of all invoices received the previous month.

Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Larry J. Griffin, and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve payment of the invoice from Cajun Trucking, Inc. in the amount of \$44,764.06.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Director Falgout called upon the project engineers for reports on the various ongoing projects.

E-SLIP EXPANSION-BULKHEAD - Mr. John Plaisance stated that bids were received and opened on September 5th. The low bid was by River/Road construction and he recommends awarding the contract to that company. Upon motion by Robert M. Champagne, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby award the contract to River/Road Construction, Inc. (the low bidder) in connection with the "E-Slip Expansion-Bulkhead" project. Director Falgout stated that since the bids were at a good price we should consider constructing additional bulkheading. There is an opportunity to extend the contract from 1300' of bulkhead to a

larger amount to take advantage of the low bid. He, Mr. Plaisance and Mr. Pitre, Board Attorney, are researching the bid laws to see if we can extend the project under the contract, hopefully a 500' increase at a cost of approximately \$650,000. He will have the necessary data at the next meeting. Discussion followed.

MULTI-USE DOCK EXTENSION-PHASE 1 - Mr. Marco Picciola stated that DOTD is still processing the paper work.

MULTI-USE DOCK EXTENSION-PHASE 2 - Mr. Picciola stated that the lien period expired on August 23rd. Mr. Picciola presented Change Order #1 for approval. Upon motion by Donald J. Vizier, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve change Order #1 in connection with the "Multi-Use Dock Extension-Phase 2" project.

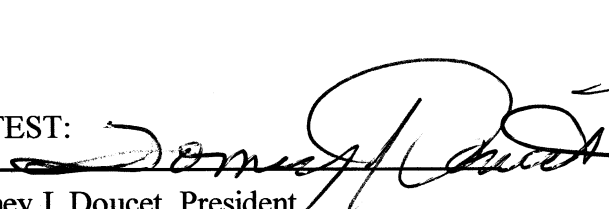
E-SLIP BULKHEAD - Mr. Larry Picciola stated that the contractor had painted the outside bumper system, but he was not pleased with it. Touch up will be done when paint arrives since the contractor ran out of paint. Mr. Picciola stated that last month the board approved a change order; however, it has not yet been received from Team Services. Therefore, the contractor will not be paid until the change order is received.

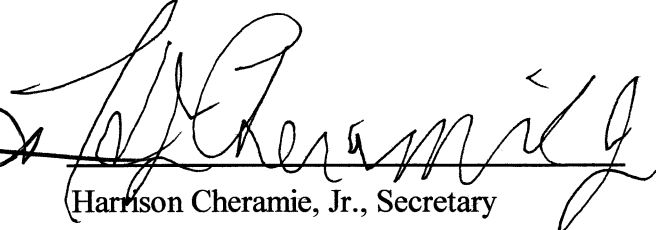
Director Falgout stated that a different paint system will be used on the new bulkhead. Discussion followed.

Director Falgout stated that a task force had been organized in connection with the highway system involving major companies who are dependent on the system. They will be asked to come up with ideas to enhance the organization's position for getting funds. The organization will need a full time person to pursue its interests. Various committees were formed. The Commission will be a major player. He will have more information at the next meeting. Discussion followed.

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

ATTEST:


Tomey J. Doucet, President


Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Secretary