

# Agenda

December 10, 1997

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of minutes November 12, 1997
5. Executive Director's Report
  - A. E-Slip Expansion - Phase II
  - B. E-Slip Expansion - Phase III
  - C. Highway Improvements
  - D. West Belle Pass
  - E. Deep Draft Berthing Facility
  - F. Warehouse and Operations Center
  - G. Meeting with Wisner
6. Committee Reports:
  - I. Executive:
    - A. Advertise to bid for reefshells, etc. on annual basis
    - B. Authorize Executive Director to sign documents with DOTD in connection with Deep Draft Berthing Facility Projects
  - II. Legal, Permits, Waterways:
    - A. Letter of No Objection
  - III. Construction & Development:
    - A. C-Port request to lease
    - B. Martin Terminal request to lease
  - IV. Finance:
    - A. Approval of Invoices and recognize following expenditures of over \$10,000:

1)	Ronald Adams, Inc.	\$201,565.00
2)	Lafourche Basin Levee District	\$ 11,150.00
3)	Picciola & Associates	\$ 81,180.00
4)	Cheramie & Whitney Architects	\$ 13,845.68
    - B. Financial Report
    - C. Approval of 1998 Budget
    - D. Adopt Ad Valorem Tax Ordinance fore 1998
    - E. Adopt general capital construction and debt service budgets for 1998
7. Any other business
  - A. Harrison Cheramie, Jr.
8. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION  
DECEMBER 10, 1997

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 10, 1997 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.

In the absence of President Doucet, Vice President Bernard called the meeting to order and requested that Secretary Cheramie call the roll.

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

ABSENT: Tomey Doucet

Also present were Ted Falgout, Executive Director; Davie Breaux, Asst. Director; Loulan Pitre, Jr., Port Attorney; John Plaisance, II, Marco Picciola, II, and Larry Picciola, Port Engineers; Louverda Duet, Port Secretary; and Susan Martin, Port Bookkeeper.

Vice President Bernard led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Robert Champagne, and unanimously passed, the minutes of the November 12, 1997 meeting were approved.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

In connection with Phase II E-Slip Expansion Project, Director Falgout called upon Project Engineer John Plaisance for his report. Mr. Plaisance stated that the bulkhead portion is substantially complete. He and Asst. Director Breaux will make a final inspection. In connection with the dredging portion, Mr. Plaisance stated that the contractor has completed about 40% of the work.

In connection with Phase III of the E-Slip Expansion project, Director Falgout called upon Project Engineer Marco Picciola who stated that the data has been provided for the Port Priority Program application and he is now working on the permits.

In connection with the highway improvements, Director Falgout stated that the work south of Leeville was moving very well, even though the rain had hampered the work. The excavator in the southern and northern parts of the parish were also working. Discussion followed in connection with the quantities of material hauled and the time left.

Director Falgout stated that the bids in connection with the West Belle Pass project will be opened on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, dredging should commence in late winter/early spring. Discussion followed in connection therewith.

In connection with the Deep Draft Berthing Facility, Director Falgout called upon project engineer Larry Picciola who stated that the package had been delivered to DOTD and he is awaiting approval. He further stated that the estimated cost of the project is \$2.3 million (not including dredging).

Director Falgout called upon Edmond Cheramie, architect for the warehouse, who stated that the contractor's time runs until Friday, at which time the project will be substantially complete. Commission personnel will be doing most of the site work. In connection with the operations building, bids were opened on November 26<sup>th</sup>. After review of all bids, Mr. Cheramie recommends awarding the contract to Bonnevall Construction in the amount of \$737,800 (base bid). Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the low bid of Bonnevall Construction in the amount of \$773,800 for the construction of the operations building at Port Fourchon. Mr. Cheramie then presented the contracts for execution and stated that contract time will commence January 5<sup>th</sup>.

Director Falgout stated that he and Port Attorney Loulan Pitre will meet with the Wisner Committee next Tuesday to discuss future expansion at the Port.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Vice President Bernard stated it was time to advertise for bids for reefshells, etc. on an annual basis. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Robert Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Director Falgout to advertise for and receive bids in connection with the annual supply of reefshells, sand, etc.

The following resolution was offered by Larry Griffin, who moved for its adoption, and seconded by Donald Vizier:

WHEREAS, the Greater Lafourche Port Commission had need for port improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Lafourche Port Commission has reviewed the agreement for Deep Draft Berthing Facility, Port Fourchon, Louisiana and agrees with said agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Lafourche Port Commission has applied for state matching funds pursuant to Chapter 47 of Title 34 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended to implement a project to improve its port operation and the Greater Lafourche Port Commission is fully aware of its obligations under said statute; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Lafourche Port Commission is a political body duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Louisiana and is eligible to apply for funds under said Statute; and

WHEREAS, the state has made funds available pursuant to the above statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Greater Lafourche Port Commission acknowledges that an application was submitted to the Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority Program.

SECTION 2. That at the appropriate time and upon approval of funding assistance and prior to commencement of work on the project, the Greater Lafourche Port Commission agrees to execute a Project Agreement and a Statement of Sponsorship pursuant to the statute and hereby authorizes and empowers Ted Falgout, Executive Director, to enter into and execute said agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

SECTION 3. That Ted Falgout is hereby designated Authorized Representative for the Greater Lafourche Port Commission to represent the port with regards to the receipt of funds from Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority Program for a port improvement project.

SECTION 4. That said Authorized Representative shall have the authority to sign and approve all documents that are necessary under the circumstances to accomplish the above project.

LEGAL, PERMITS & WATERWAYS:

Upon motion by Robert Champagne, seconded by Vinton Crosby and unanimously passed, the following applicant for letter of no objection was approved.

Apache Corporation

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT:

Director Falgout stated that C-Port and The Modern Group was interested in leasing a tract of land on the third leg of the E-Slip. Both companies were asked to submit development plans. The Modern Group did not and C-Port did, which the Committee reviewed, and now recommends leasing the property to C-Port. Upon motion by Rodney Terrebonne, seconded by Robert Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve leasing property on the third leg of the E-Slip to C-Port, L.L.C., on such terms and conditions as contained in said lease.

Director Falgout stated that Martin Terminal had also requested to lease property on the third leg of the E-Slip. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve leasing property on the third leg of the E-Slip to Martin Terminal, Inc., on such terms and conditions as contained in said lease.

FINANCE:

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Larry Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve payment of all invoices received the previous month, particularly the following invoices:

Ronald Adams Contractor	\$201,565.00
Lafourche Basin Levee District	\$ 11,150.00

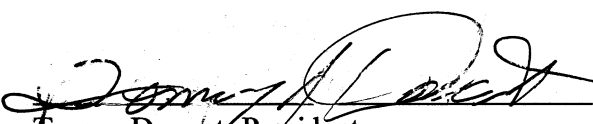

Picciola & Associates, Inc.	\$ 81,180.00
Cheremie & Whitney Architects	\$ 13,845.68

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the financial report for November, 1997.

Chairman Vizier presented the 1998 budget to the Board, which specifically includes payment of \$100,000 to the LA 1 Coalition, a 10% salary increase for unclassified employees and ratifies the salary increases granted to classified employees by the Civil Service Commission. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Johnny Melancon and adopted, the Board of Commissioners does hereby adopt the General Fund Budget, Capital Construction Budget and Debt Service Budget for the year 1998. Board Member Cheremie voted no.

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

ATTEST:

	
Tomey Doucet, President	Harrison Cheremie, Jr., Secretary