

Agenda

September 9, 1998

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of minutes of August 12, 1998, Board Meeting
- V. Executive Director's Report
 - A. E-Slip Expansion
 - B. Deep Draft Berthing Facility
 - C. Operations Center
 - D. Highway Improvements
 - E. Northern Expansion
- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive
 - 1. Appoint AAPA Delegate
 - 2. Request by C-Port on self insured sublessees
 - 3. Request by Modern Group to assign lease to BYU
 - B. Legal, Permits, Waterways
 - 1. Letter of No Objection
 - a) DNR Proposed Dredging to create/nourish eroding marsh
 - b) Chevron USA, Inc. - Install approx. 2,000' sheet piling, reconstruct existing levee, excavate approx. 63,000 cu. yds. of material from Dead End Canal
 - C. Construction & Development
 - 1. Request by MER Services, Inc. to sublease to Enviro Ventures, Inc.
 - 2. Request by C-Port to lease lot III
 - D. Finance
 - 1. Approval of Invoices and recognize following expenditures of over \$10,000:

a) Cajun Trucking, Inc.	\$ 13,042.88
b) Cajun Trucking, Inc.	\$144,950.00
c) Lafourche Basin Levee District	\$ 10,400.00
d) Wilbur Smith Associates	\$ 46,330.00
e) L & A Contracting, Inc.	\$ 91,941.30
 - 2. Finance Report
- VII. Any other business
- VIII. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
September 9, 1998

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 9, 1998 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.

Vice President Bernard called the meeting to order and requested that Board Member Cheramie call the roll.

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

ABSENT: Tomey Doucet

Also present were Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director; Davie Breaux, Asst. Director; Loulan Pitre, Port Attorney; John J. Plaisance, Marco Picciola and Larry Picciola, Port Engineers; Gerald Guidry, Harbor Police Chief; Cindy F. Dufrene, Port Secretary.

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

Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Larry Griffin and unanimously passed, the minutes of August 12, 1998 Board Meeting were approved.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

In reference to Leg III, E-Slip Expansion, Mr. Falgout called upon project engineer Marco Picciola for his report. Mr. Picciola reported that advertisement for bids began today and the bid opening will be October 8, 1998 at 10:00 AM with a pre-bid conference on October 1, 1998. Mr. Falgout asked how much of property would be bulkheaded on this project. Mr. Picciola stated the project covered 2,770 ft. of property to be bulkheaded. Mr. Falgout stated this will be the largest bulkhead construction project ever done at the Port.

In reference to the Deep Draft Berthing Facility, Director Falgout called upon project engineer Larry Picciola for his report. Mr. Picciola stated the sheets were in place. The contractor will start tying the sheets back which will complete that part of the job. All that is left to do on the roadway is to tie it into A. J. Estay Road. Mr. Picciola estimates 2 more months before this project is complete.

In connection to E-Slip Bulkhead Extension, 2nd Leg, Director Falgout called upon project engineer Larry Picciola for his report. Mr. Picciola reported he received real good bids on the project. LL&G came in with a low bid of \$1,416,500. Mr. Picciola stated that LL&G has been in business for years and are good contractors but they are being purchased by TER (Team Equipment Rental) which may present the same problem the Commission went through with Team Services. Mr. Picciola requested

the Commission to speak with legal counsel before awarding the bid. Mr. Falgout asked if LL&G met all the requirements for the bid. Mr. Picciola stated that LL&G met all the requirements needed for the bid. Attorney Loulan Pitre suggested the Board of Commissioners authorize awarding the bid within 45 days of the bid opening at the Commissions discretion and if there would be a problem it would be addressed at the next Board Meeting, if none, then the Commission would award the bid to LL&G for \$1,416,500. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Donald Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize awarding the bid within 45 days of the bid opening at the Commissions discretion and if there would be a problem it would be addressed at the next Board Meeting, if none, then the Commission would award the bid to LL&G for \$1,416,500.

In connection with the Operations Center, Director Falgout called upon project engineer Edmond Cheramie for his report. Mr. Cheramie reported the contractors are finishing up the last hip section of the roof. The sub contractors have arrived and are working on the air conditioning and plumbing. He spoke to the contractor and they are projecting late November, beginning of December for substantial completion of the building. Discussion followed. Board Member Melancon asked if the contractor is aware of how vulnerable the building is at this point for a potential hurricane. Mr. Cheramie assured the Board the contractor is well aware of the vulnerability. Mr. Melancon asked what the dollar cost is per day for the contractor to pay if they go over the contract date. Director Falgout stated he thinks its \$250 per day. Mr. Cheramie reported the contract end date is around mid October. More discussion followed.

In reference to the highway improvements, Director Falgout reported that Ronald Adams Contractors is just about complete. The stone is placed on the side of road; however the embankment is still soft. The contractors fertilized the side of roadway and they have striping and seeding of the blue grass left to do. Director Falgout stated the embankment has made a difference in protecting the highway, even with the minimal storm of Hurricane Francis. The embankment caught debris and protected the highway from wave wash. The ambulance district stated they have had less calls in the area indicating the increased safety provided. Board Member Melancon asked Asst. Director Davie Breaux if he noticed any drop in elevation of the rocks. Asst. Director Breaux stated he thinks the rocks have settled some but it may look like the elevation is lower because of the tide being so high. Board Member Crosby asked about clean up of the debris on the embankment. Director Falgout explained that it was DOTD 's responsibility for clean up. Discussion followed. Board Member Vizier asked if the Commission had a plan to clear debris off of Highway 1 if there would be a hurricane. Director Falgout stated that he and Chief Gerald Guidry discussed the contingency and that at the Emergency Preparedness Meeting for the threat of Hurricane Francis asked if there was a plan for clearing up Highway 1 and they assured him that there was a plan, even if the storm hit during the weekend. Board Member Vizier asked if there was a plan for LA 3090 in Fourchon. Asst. Director Breaux stated he had equipment available at Fourchon for a clean up. Chief Guidry stated that before a clean up begins, the Highway Department first sends a supervisor to access the situation and then coordinates the clean up. More discussion followed. Continuing with the highway improvements, Mr. Falgout stated he and DOTD representatives will look at extending the embankment project further south all the way to Louisiana Premium Seafood, to the area south of Leeville Bridge on the east side where the bay comes up all the way to the road, and the west side of the road south of the Leeville Bridge to the Texaco facility where the aluminum bulkhead is now.

He stated they would like to place stone on the east side south of the Leeville Bridge and try to elevate the stone to create a breakwater.

In connection with the excavator working north from Larose to Lockport, Mr. Falgout reported The Lafourche Basin Levee District will remove the excavator from the bayou soon to work on another job in Lockport and will return it to the bayou in about a month or so to address areas between the Valentine Bridge and Lockport.

In connection with the vegetative planting from Larose to Lockport, Director Falgout reported that Mitch's Landscaping is almost finished with the project. They have a small area to complete. The high water has been a problem for them.

In reference to the Port Commission and the Levee District's excavator, it will come back to work for the Commission in October. It will be brought to Fourchon for about a month to do a job there and then will be placed back in the bayou to continue embankment work.

Board Member Vizier asked about the planting down in Leeville. Mr. Falgout explained that the summer employees have gone back to school and that he and DOTD representatives looked at the area to see if DOTD would suggest letting out a contract to finish this job.

In reference to the Northern Expansion, Phase I Development, Mr. Falgout reported he met with agencies and hoped to have been put out on public notice by now. The State's Coastal Zone Division sent a comment about beneficial dredging alternatives and a long range strategy. Mr. Falgout and Attorney Pitre will also meet with the Wisner Committee to further discuss leasing the impoundment. Mr. Falgout also stated that the Caillouet Land Corp. has requested to perform mitigation in the impoundment and this would perhaps negatively impact the Commission's future development plans. Additional discussions will be required before the Commission can consider such a request.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Tomey J. Doucet, Chairman
Dudley Bernard, Member
Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Member
Donald Vizier, Member

Vice President Bernard stated that the AAPA Annual Conference is coming up in October and it is necessary to appoint a delegate to said convention. The Committee recommends appointing Director Falgout. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Larry Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby appoint Ted M. Falgout as delegate to the AAPA Annual Conference.

Vice President Bernard stated the Executive Committee received a request by C-Port, LLC on self insured sublessees. This matter was delegated to the port attorney with the suggestion that he draw up criteria that would enable sublessees to be self insured while meeting the insurance requirements in the lease.

Vice President Bernard stated the Executive Committee received a request by The Modern Group to assign their lease to BYU Rentals of Larose, LA. Director Falgout stated that BYU Rentals of Larose, LA is owned by Wade and Cathy Richoux and they wish to open a grocery store on the site. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby grant the request from The Modern Group to assign lease to BYU Rentals of Larose, LA.

LEGAL PERMITS & WATERWAYS:

Larry Griffin, Chairman
Vinton Crosby, Member
Ervin Bruce, Member
Tomey Doucet, Member

Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the following letters of no objection:

Department of Natural Resources
Chevron USA, Inc.

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT:

Dudley Bernard, Chairman
Rodney Terrebonne, Member
Tomey Doucet, Member

Board Member Terrebonne reported the Construction Committee received a request from MER Services to sublease to Enviro Ventures, Inc. Upon motion by Rodney Terrebonne, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby grant request from MER Services to sublease to Enviro Ventures, Inc.

Chairman Terrebonne reported the Construction Committee received a request from C-Port, LLC to lease lot 111. Mr. Falgout explained the property is located at the front marina and they wish to use it for recreational purposes. He further stated C-Port requested a long term lease but the Construction Committee request a short term lease with a 3 year primary term with a 3 year option to renew. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby grant a short term lease to C-Port, LLC to lease lot 111.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Donald Vizier, Chairman
Tomey Doucet, Member
Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Member
Johnny Melancon, Member

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Larry Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the invoices for August, 1998 and recognizes the following expenditures over \$10,000:

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| b) | Cajun Trucking, Inc. | \$144,950.00 |
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Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the Financial Report for the month of August, 1998.

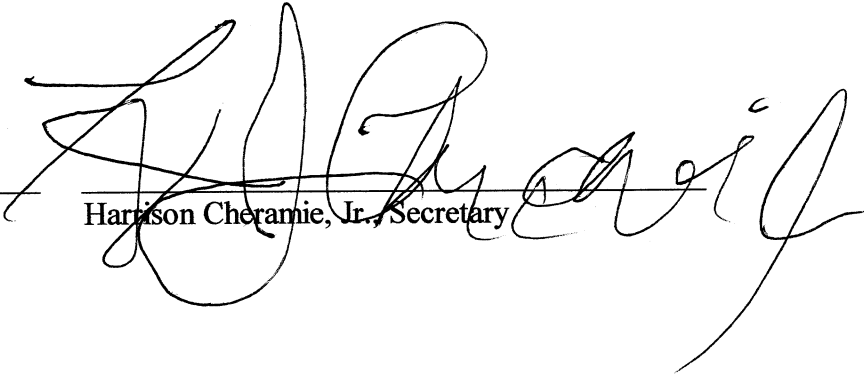
ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Board Member Larry Griffin mentioned Mr. John LeBlanc was in the audience and asked if he would like to address the board. Mr. LeBlanc announced he was running in the election to replace Judge John Weimer for District Judge in Lafourche Parish, Division A of the 17th Judicial District and asked for the board's support.

Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed the Board Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:


Dudley Bernard, Vice President


Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Secretary