

Agenda

February 26, 1999

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Committee Reports:
 - A. Executive
 - 1. Award Bridge Contract
 - 2. Accept Substantial Completion of the Operations Center
- V. Any other business
- VI. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
February 26, 1999

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in special session in the Conference Room of the Commission Administration Building in Fourchon, Louisiana on Friday, February 26, 1999 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 Crosby, Executive Director Ted Falgout called the meeting to order and requested that Board Member Cheramie call the roll.

PRESENT: Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Rodney Terrebonne, Ervin Bruce, Larry Griffin, Donald Vizier, and Chester Cheramie

ABSENT: Vinton Crosby, Dudley Bernard, and Johnny Melancon

Also present were Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director; Davie J. Breaux, Assistant Director; Gerald Guidry, Harbor Police Chief; and Cindy F. Dufrene, Port Secretary.

Director Falgout stated there were two issues to discuss under the Executive Committee Report. The first being the Fourchon Bridge Repair Project. Bids were received and opened yesterday for this project. The lowest bid received was from CEC, Inc. in the amount of \$489,000 with an Alternative 1 Bid of \$59,000. The project was estimated to cost \$708,000 including engineering cost. Chevron and the State both agreed to put up money for this project along with the Port Commission (if additional funding would have been necessary). He stated if the Commission accepts this bid, the Commission's portion would be approximately 7 to 10 thousand dollars. Mr. Falgout stated considering the time frame of this project and the need to get it started, if the Commission accepts the bid today, the contractor can get started earlier on the project. Board Member Vizier questioned the traffic plan. Asst. Director Breaux stated they are to have single lane passing and when the painting begins they would allow traffic to pass in the morning and then later in the afternoon to allow Chevron employees to get back and forth from work. The contractor estimated it would take about 15 - 20 days to strip the bridge and put new beams in place. Discussion followed in reference to using a barge to transport people back and forth across the canal and Caillouet Land Corp. wanting to charge for the contractor using a vessel in the canal to work on the bridge. Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Donald Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the low bid from CEC, Inc. in the amount of \$489,000 with Alternate Bid 1 in the amount of \$59,000 for the Chevron Bridge Repair Project.

Director Falgout stated the second item on the agenda was to discuss substantial completion of the Operations Building. He called upon project engineer, Edmond Cheramie, for an update on the substantial completion of the Operations Building. Mr. Cheramie stated that he asked for substantial completion for the building at the last board meeting which the board turned down until the roof was finished. The roof was finished last Thursday and there are still a few things left to finish like the signage on doors, hanging a couple of blinds, and changing cabinet doors. He stated the roofing material has a two year workmanship warranty. Mr. Cheramie requested the Board to accept

completion on the Operations Building effective February 18. Discussion followed concerning the final payment on the building. Mr. Cheramie stated there were some factors to consider and he would get with Davie Breaux to work on final payment which would be ready for the next meeting. Discussion followed concerning the warranty of the roof, the paving of the front parking lot and under the building and the holes in the concrete post. Mr. Cheramie stated he would have all the warranties for the next meeting, the paving of front parking lot and under the building were under Alternate Bids which the Board did not accept because of the cost, and under the contract, the engineer did not require the contractor to rub the columns down which left holes in the concrete post. However, the structural engineer recommended going with 20" instead of 16" columns which would provide more protection to the reinforcing steel. Discussion followed concerning the contractor not rubbing down the columns and other alternatives to dressing the columns up. Mr. Falgout stated this could be considered under liquidated damages and may be addressed in the final payment for the building. Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Ervin Bruce and passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept substantial completion of the Operations Building as of February 18, 1999. Board Member Terrebonne and Board Member Vizier voted nay.

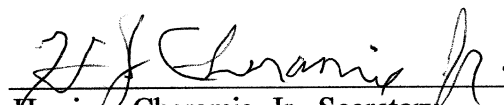
Board Member Vizier asked what the cost would be to do the pavement of the front parking lot and under the building. Assistant Director Breaux stated he received quotes from the two cement companies and received quotes from contractors to work the cement and he estimates the job would cost around \$32,000 compared to the Alternate Bid of \$40,000.

Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Ervin Bruce and unanimously passed, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:



Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director



Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Secretary