

AGENDA
APRIL 11, 2001

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consider March 14, 2001 Regular Meeting Minutes for approval
- V. Executive Director's Report
 - A. E-Slip Expansion Updates
 1. 2nd leg
 - B. Northern Expansion Update
 - C. Highway Improvements
 - D. Millennium Port Update (LEERC)
- VII. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee:
 1. Authorize Executive Director to advertise for summer employment
 2. Consider request for Assignment of lease from Martin Terminal, Inc. to Lot 14, LLC
 3. Authorize Chief Terrebonne to execute a Communications Service Provider Agreement with the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office
 4. Adopt a resolution certifying compliance with Public Bid Laws for SPN 578-29-0014 (301)
 - B. Permits & Waterways Committee:
 1. Letters of No Objection
 - i. Equilon Pipeline Company
 - ii. Paul Dufrene, II
 - iii. Equilon Pipeline Company
 - iv. Vintage Petroleum
 - v. BP Oil Company
 2. Use of Mitigation Area
 - C. Construction & Development Committee:
 1. Consider Mitigation Planting Quotes
 2. Consider authorizing Change Order 2 for Duphil, Inc.'s repairs to Baroid
 3. Request for property from Enviro Supply & Resources
 4. B.J. Services sublease to Allison Marine
 - D. Finance Committee:
 1. Consider payment of Invoices and recognize Expenditures over \$10,000
 2. Consider March 2001 Financial Statement for approval
 - E. Personnel Committee:
 1. Executive Director's employment contract
- VIII. Any other business
- IX. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
April 11, 2001

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, April 11, 2001 at 10:30 AM.

President Melancon called the meeting to order and requested that Secretary Collins call the roll.

PRESENT: Johnny Melancon, Donald Vizier, Wilbert Collins, Larry Griffin, Ervin Bruce, Harry Cheramie, Beau Martin, Chuckie Cheramie, and Jimmy Lafont

ABSENT: None

Board member Harry Cheramie led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Donald Vizier and second by Wilbert Collins, the March 14, 2001, regular meeting minutes were approved.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

E-Slip Expansion Update - 2nd leg – Project Engineer Larry Picciola reported that the project is finished.

Northern Expansion Update - Project Engineer John Plaisance reported that the Notice to Proceed was issued on Monday, April 9, 2001, and the Pre-Construction meeting was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2001. The Contractor is in the process of moving on-site and should begin work within the next few weeks.

Highway Improvements - LA 1 Coalition Executive Director Roy Francis reported that he is working on a \$2 million request for funds toward the Leeville Bridge project that will come from the \$28 million appropriated to Louisiana in lieu of the CARA bill.

Millennium Port Update – Director Falgout reported that the Millennium Port Commission approved the commitment between itself and the Greater Lafourche Port Commission to share the cost of a reconnaissance survey to review the feasibility of a 50' channel at Port Fourchon. He also reported that Congressman David Vitter, who is on the Appropriations Committee, visited the Port this week and was quite impressed with the LEERC plan. The Reconnaissance study on the Conveyance Channel will begin soon and will be funded by the Department of Natural Resources and the Corps.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee

Chairman Melancon presented for the board's consideration the need to authorize Director Falgout to advertise for summer employment. All college students of the tenth ward are eligible to apply for the position. The employees will be chosen from a hat at the May meeting. Upon motion by Larry Griffin and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously authorized Director Falgout to advertise for summer employment.

Chairman Melancon presented for the board's consideration a request from Martin Fuel, Inc. to assign its lease of Lot 14 to Lot 14, LLC. Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Larry Griffin, the board unanimously approved the assignment.

Chairman Melancon presented for the board's consideration the need to authorize Chief Terrebonne to execute a Communications Service Provider Agreement with the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office. Director Falgout explained that this is an annual agreement that the Port has with the Sheriff's Office to provide back up communications service when it is needed, at no cost. Upon motion by Harry Cheramie and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously authorized Chief Terrebonne to execute said agreement with the Sheriff's Office.

Chairman Melancon presented for the board's consideration the need to certify compliance with the intent of the Public Bid Law for the Northern Expansion Project. Director Falgout explained that this is being required by the Port Priority Program. Upon motion by Donald Vizier and second by Chuckie Cheramie, the board unanimously adopted a resolution certifying compliance with the intent of the Public Bid law for SPN 578-29-0014 (301).

Permits & Waterways Committee

Chairman Lafont presented for the Board's consideration requests for letters of no objection from Equilon Pipeline Company, Paul Dufrene, III, Vintage Petroleum, and BP Oil Company. Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont and second by Larry Griffin, the board unanimously approved issuing a letter of no objection to those who requested one.

Director Falgout reported that the committee has developed a plan for the Port property located north of the Flotation Canal and recommends that the area be established as a Sanctuary where there will be no fishing or hunting, and it will exist as a nursery and sanctuary area for the many plants and animals that inhabit the area. This designation would be consistent with the Maritime Forest Ridge project being developed by the Commission. Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont and second by Ervin Bruce, the board unanimously approved designating the Commission controlled area north of the Flotation Canal as a Sanctuary.

Director Falgout reported that currently, the Plaisance Family leases a campsite on the extreme corner of the Sanctuary property. This lease has existed for over 50 years, and the family wishes to continue to lease the campsite. They understand that they have no rights to the Sanctuary area that are not given to the public. As part of the lease agreement, the family will help to patrol the site so that if they witness any trespassing or other issue of concern, they will report it to the Port Commission. Upon motion by Harry Cheramie and second by Larry Griffin, the board unanimously authorized Director Falgout to execute the lease with the Plaisance Family under the terms and conditions recommended by the Committee.

Construction & Development Committee

Chairman Bruce presented for the board's review the Mitigation Planting Quotes. Director Falgout explained that the Commission received quotes on planting requirements for the Mitigation Area from three contractors. Wetlands Restoration out of New Iberia offered the lowest price at \$21,000.00. Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Larry Griffin, the board unanimously approved awarding the contract to Wetlands Restoration.

Chairman Bruce presented for the board's consideration a request from Enviro Supply & Resources to lease property along LA 3090. Director Falgout reported that this piece of property was formally leased by Enviro Ventures. Mr. Ricky Cheramie with Enviro Supply was recognized. He reported that they handle some items that existing suppliers do not offer in the Port. They will elevate the property and build modular warehousing. Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Harry Cheramie, the board approved leasing the property to Enviro Supply and Resources, with one nay vote. Board member Martin suggested that every time property comes available for lease, the Commission solicit for proposals from everyone interested and then review the proposals prior to negotiating a lease with a prospective tenant. Upon motion by Beau Martin and second by Jimmy Lafont, the board unanimously agreed to solicit for proposals every time property comes available for lease in Port Fourchon.

Chairman Bruce presented for the board's consideration a request from BJ Services to sublease a portion of their property to Allison Marine. Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Chuckie Cheramie, the board unanimously approved the sublease between BJ Services and Allison Marine. Board member Martin added that the Commission's policy for subleasing will be reviewed and may be refined.

Finance Committee

Chairman Griffin presented for the board's consideration invoices for payment, and he recognized the expenditures over \$10,000.00. Upon motion by Larry Griffin and second by Ervin Bruce, the board unanimously approved payment of the invoices.

Chairman Griffin presented for the board's consideration the March 2001 Financial Statement. Upon motion by Larry Griffin and second by Donald Vizier, the board unanimously approved the March 2001 Financial Statement.

Personnel Committee

Chairman Martin presented for the board's consideration the Executive Director's employment contract. Director Falgout reported that he has had a contract with the Commission since August 11, 1987. It was subject to 5-year renewal periods and has never changed in its content or terms. He asked that the Commission consider extending the contract. The Personnel Committee recommended that the contract renewal term be changed from 5 years to 3 years. Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont and second by Wilbert Collins, the board approved extending the Executive Director's employment contract for three years from April 11, 2001 to April 11, 2004, with one nay vote.

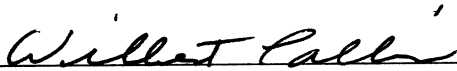
Any other business

Upon motion by Donald Vizier and second by Chuckie Cheramie, the board unanimously approved beginning Committee meetings at 10:00AM instead of 10:30. The board meetings will remain at 10:30AM.

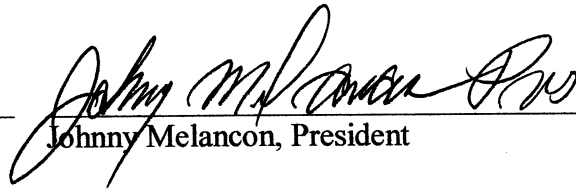
Director Falgout announced that the Golden Meadow-Fourchon Rodeo, put on by the Marty Dufrene Foundation, has been moved to Port Fourchon Marina and will be held June 29-July 1, 2001 through cooperation with the South Lafourche Quarterback Club.

Upon motion by Larry Griffin and second by Jimmy Lafont, the board unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting.

ATTEST:



Wilbert Collins, Secretary



Johnny Melancon, President