

AGENDA
OCTOBER 8, 2003

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consider September 10, 2003 Regular Meeting Minutes for approval
- V. Executive Director's Report
 - A. **Northern Expansion Update**
 - a. Construction status:
 - i. Slip A East Bulkhead Repair – John Plaisance
 - ii. N. Doucet Drive Asphalt Extension – John Plaisance
 - iii. Slip B, West Bulkhead – Larry Picciola
 - iv. Slip B, Hydraulic Dredging – Larry Picciola
 - v. Slip B Delmar Site – Joe Picciola
 - B. **Airport Update**
 - a. Project status:
 - i. Hangar Construction
 - C. **New Port Administration Building**
 - D. **Port Security**
 - a. Harbor Patrol Vessel
 - b. Security Camera System
 - E. **Highway Improvements**
- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. **Permits & Waterways Committee**
 - a. Letters of No Objection
 - i. Greater Lafourche Port Commission
 - ii. Carrizo Oil & Gas, Inc.
 - iii. Apache Corporation
 - iv. Emily's Seafood
 - v. Greater Lafourche Port Commission
 - B. **Construction and Development Committee**
 - a. Consider authorizing lease of Lot 112
 - b. Consider accepting low bid for Airport Hangar construction
 - c. Consider accepting low bid for Breakwater Repairs
 - C. **Executive Committee**
 - a. Consider authorizing advertising Proposed Ordinance No. 69
 - b. *Carl A. Chauvin vs. Greater Lafourche Port Commission* – Possible EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - D. **Finance Committee**
 - a. Consider payment of invoices and recognize Expenditures over \$10,000
 - b. Consider approving September 2003 Financial Statement
- VII. Public Comment
- VIII. Any other business
- IX. Adjournment

**Attachment to Agenda for October 8, 2003 meeting of
Greater Lafourche Port Commission**

Pending Litigation to be Considered at the Meeting:

1. *Carl A. Chauvin vs. Greater Lafourche Port Commission*, case pending as No. 96988 of the 17th Judicial District Court, Parish of Lafourche, State of Louisiana, involving as parties Mr. Carl A. Chauvin, the Greater Lafourche Port Commission, and John Melancon, Sr., in his capacity as President of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

October 8, 2003

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, October 8, 2003 at 10:30 AM.

President Melancon called the meeting to order, and Secretary Collins called the roll.

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

ABSENT: None

Upon motion by Donald Vizier and second by Wilbert Collins, the minutes of the September 10, 2003, regular meeting were unanimously approved.

Executive Director's Report

Northern Expansion – Engineer John Plaisance reported that he is working with Mike Hooks to negotiate a settlement for the two holes in the bulkhead, one measuring 36" x 6" and another measuring 12" x 4". He also reported that he is making changes on the plans for asphaltting of N. Doucet Drive and will be resubmitting the plans to DOTD. Engineer Larry Picciola reported that he is waiting on the final location of the project to be determined prior to submitting final plans and specifications to DOTD for their approval to go out for bid. Engineer Joe Picciola reported that we have a meeting scheduled for today with Delmar to offer to them the Flotation Canal site. Director Falgout reported that November 1 is the deadline for filing the Port Priority application, and we will be submitting a bulkheading project that will tie in the Delmar site and Larry Picciola's proposed project site.

Airport – Director Falgout reported that we will be proceeding the Environmental Assessment for the runway extension. He also reported that the bids for the hangar construction were received and will be approved today.

New Administration Building – Assistant Director Breaux reported that Change Order No. 2, approved last meeting, is in the neighborhood of \$60,000.

Port Security – Director Falgout reported that security vessel bids will be accepted October 29th. Jon Callais reported that the final assessment for the camera system should be received this week, and the pre-qualified vendors will perform a demonstration of the available camera systems prior to the bidding of the project.

Highway Improvements – Director Falgout reported that DNR put together a series of pamphlets on Louisiana Energy Topics. Series 6 of 7 will be on Port Fourchon. He also reported that he recently had presented at the Louisiana Environmental and Economic Summit and participated in a panel discussion at the Summit on Port Fourchon and what's at stake in this state. Roy Francis reported that the Energy Bill is in conference committee and is being worked on by Rep. Tauzin and Sen. Domenici to include revenue sharing for Louisiana. He also reported that TEA-21 was authorized for a 5-month extension, and a rating letter from the bonding authority is needed before the TIFIA loan application can be submitted.

Committee Reports

Permits & Waterways – Chairman Jimmy Lafont reported that the committee met on September 24, 2003 at the Operations Center in Fourchon and on October 6, 2003 at the

Administration Building in Galliano. All members were present. The Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the committee meetings.

Upon motion by Chairman Lafont and second by Wilbert Collins, the Commission unanimously issued a letter of no objection to Greater Lafourche Port Commission, Carrizo Oil & Gas, Inc., Apache Corporation, and Emily's Seafood.

Construction & Development – Chairman Bruce reported that the committee met on September 24, 2003 at the Operations Center in Fourchon and on October 6, 2003 at the Administration Building in Galliano. All members were present. The Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the committee meetings.

Chairman Bruce presented a proposal from Galliano Marine Services to lease an additional 293' along Flotation Canal, adjacent to Lot 111, at 1.6 times the base rent established in the RFP. Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Chuckie Cheramie and unanimous approval, President Melancon was authorized to execute an amendment to lease with Galliano Marine to include 293' of additional property along Flotation Canal.

Chairman Bruce presented the bids for the Airport Hangar project. Lamar Contractors, Inc. was the apparent low bidder for the base bid and Additive Alternate No. 1, which included the construction of the hangar taxiway, for a total cost of \$237,579.20. Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Harry Cheramie, the low base bid and Add. Alt. No. 1 from Lamar was accepted, and Director Falgout was authorized to execute the contract with Lamar.

Chairman Bruce presented the bids for the FEMA Breakwater Repairs project. Lowrey Brothers submitted the low bid of \$428,300. Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont and second by Wilbert Collins, the low bid of Lowrey was accepted, and Director Falgout was authorized to execute the contract with Lowrey.

Executive – Chairman John Melancon reported that the committee met on September 24, 2003 at the Operations Center in Fourchon and on October 6, 2003 at the Administration Building in Galliano. All members were present. The Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the Committee meeting.

The following proposed ordinance was presented for publication by Donald Vizier, seconded by Ervin Bruce, and unanimously approved for publication.

ORDINANCE NO. 69

AN ORDINANCE MAKING IT UNLAWFUL TO HUNT, TRAP ANIMALS, FOWL OR REPTILES, OR FISH COMMERCIALY IN THE AREA COMMONLY KNOWN AS "RAPPELET'S POND" IN PORT FOURCHON AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS THAT AREA IN PORT FOURCHON WHOSE EASTERN BOUNDARY IS LA 3090; WESTERN BOUNDARY IS BAYOU LAFOURCHE; SOUTHERN BOUNDARY IS N.J. THERIOT ROAD; AND NORTHERN BOUNDARY IS FLOTATION CANAL. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF SAID ORDINANCE ARE PROVIDED FOR HEREIN.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission that:

SECTION 1. It is hereby declared unlawful for any person to hunt, trap animals, fowl, or reptiles, and/or commercially fish, shrimp, crab or cause to be taken any other species of fish or shellfish from that area in Port Fourchon commonly know as "Rappelet's Pond" and more particularly described as that area in Port Fourchon whose Eastern Boundary is LA 3090; Western Boundary is Bayou Lafourche; Southern Boundary is N.J. Theriot Road; and Northern Boundary is Flotation Canal.

SECTION 2. Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or imprisoned for not more than six (6) months in jail, or both, in the discretion of the court having jurisdiction.

The Commission voted to enter into Executive Session to discuss strategy in the litigation filed against the Commission by Carl A. Chauvin. The vote of the Executive Committee to enter into Executive Session was Chuckie Cheramie – Yea; Harry Cheramie – Yea; Jimmy Lafont – Yea; Donald Vizier – Yea; Wilbert Collins – Yea; Larry Griffin – Yea; John Melancon, Sr. – Yea; Beau Martin – Yea; Ervin Bruce - Yea. At the end of the Executive Session, the Commission members unanimously voted to end the Executive Session and go back into the Public Meeting.

Finance – Chairman Griffin reported that the committee met on September 24, 2003 at the Operations Center in Fourchon. Present were Larry Griffin and Donald Vizier; Harry Cheramie was absent. The Committee also met on October 6, 2003 at the Administration Building in Galliano; all members were present. The Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the committee meetings.

Upon motion by Chairman Griffin and second by Jimmy Lafont, the invoices for the month were unanimously approved for payment, excluding invoices from Liskow & Lewis, LLP.

Upon motion by Chairman Griffin and second by Harry Cheramie, the September 2003 financial statement was unanimously approved.

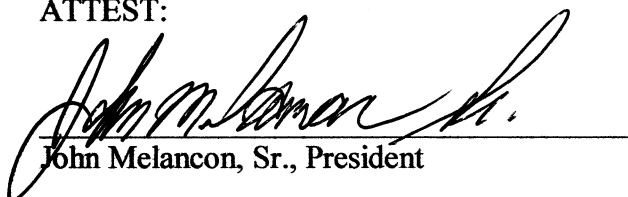
President Melancon then opened the meeting to public comment. Mr. David Stevens with Bollinger asked for an update on the public tug dock. Director Falgout explained that the Commission is currently conducting a risk analysis of activities occurring at the public tug dock after some concerns were raised about the activities. We are still gathering information and proposing some solutions.

Mr. Doug Cheramie questioned whether the Highway Embankment project was complete because there are still some areas that need to be addressed. Director Falgout explained that the project currently ongoing will be the last from this pool of Capital Outlay monies, and we will apply for more money to perform more embankment stabilization work.

Newly-elected Parish Councilman Brent Callais addressed the Commission and pledged his full support. Candidates Mark Atzenhoffer and Charlotte Randolph addressed the Commission for their run-off campaigns. Director Falgout said that soon after the November 15th election, the Commission will host a meeting in Fourchon with the new Council and Parish President to update them on the Commission's progress and to inform them of its plans for the future.

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

ATTEST:


John Melancon, Sr., President


Wilbert Collins, Secretary