

GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

AGENDA

August 10, 2016 at 10:30 AM

Administration Building · 16829 East Main St · Galliano, LA

(Revised: August 9, 2016 at 9:45 AM)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consider approval of minutes for July 13, 2016 regular meeting
- V. Executive Director's Report
 - A. Northern Expansion
 1. Northern Expansion Slip C 800 LF East Bulkhead (*Angelette-Picciola*)
 2. Northern Expansion Slip C 800 LF East Sweep Dredging (*Angelette-Picciola*)
 3. Northern Expansion Slip C 950 LF West Bulkhead (*Angelette-Picciola*)
 4. Flotation Canal Hydraulic Dredge (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - B. Airport Projects
 1. Beacon and Tower Painting
 2. Storm Water Management
 3. Update on aircraft operations
 - C. Other Projects
 1. Assumption of Maintenance Study
 2. Section 203 Feasibility Study (*GIS Engineering*)
 3. Geotube Beach Repairs (*Angelette-Picciola*)
 4. Town of Golden Meadow Floodwall Improvements/Bulkhead (*J. Wayne Plaisance*)
- VI. Update from South Louisiana Economic Council
- VII. Update from LA 1 Coalition
- VIII. Public Comment - None
- IX. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee
 1. Consider approving the Corp of Engineers right of entry agreement for jetty repairs
 2. Consider approving the request from VIH Helicopters USA to assign the sublease from Construction Helicopters to Bristow US for sites SLIP-12 and SLIP-14 at the Airport
 3. Consider approving the request from Chevron for a mobile home site at the SL Industrial Park
 - B. Permits & Waterways Committee
 1. Review the permit applications from Jason Pitre, Shell Pipeline Company, and Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority
 - C. Construction & Development Committee
 1. Consider approving an amendment to the Parish CDBG grant to correct the Port's matching funds for the Storm Harbor Marina
 2. Consider adopting a resolution for Capital Outlay guaranteeing Port's matching funds
 3. Consider approving the second amendment to the DOTD Intergovernmental Agreement for the Northern Expansion Slip C project
 4. Consider approving the substantial completion certificate from Shavers-Whittle Construction for the Slip C 800' East Bulkhead project
 5. Consider approving the substantial completion certificate from Crosby Dredging for the Flotation Canal Hydraulic Dredge project
 6. Consider adopting a resolution to accept the FAA grant award for the Taxiway Lighting Design project
 - D. Finance Committee
 1. Consider approving payment of July 2016 invoices and recognize expenditures over \$10,000
 2. Consider approving the July 2016 unaudited financial statements
 3. Consider approving the out of state travel requests
- X. Any other business – None
- XI. Possible Executive Session
 - A. Discuss the vessel graveyard agreement by and between the Greater Lafourche Port Commission and Louisiana Land and Exploration
- XII. Adjournment

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
August 10, 2016

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 10:30 AM at the Administration Building 16829 East Main Street, Galliano, LA.

President Gisclair called the meeting to order and Secretary Cheramie called roll.

ATTENDED: Chuckie Cheramie, Perry Gisclair, Kris Gaudet, Rodney Gisclair, Wilbert Collins, Larry Griffin, John Melancon Jr., Jimmy Guidry, and Ervin Bruce

ABSENT: None

Upon motion by Griffin and second by Melancon, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved minutes for July 13, 2016 regular meeting.

Executive Director's Report

Northern Expansion – Engineer Larry Picciola reported Shavers Whittle is substantially complete for Slip C 800 LF East Bulkhead project. They are working on completing punch list items. Engineer Picciola reported Crosby Dredging started yesterday on Slip C 800 LF East Sweep Dredge project. They estimate two weeks of dredging to complete the project. Engineer Picciola reported Blanchard Contractors completed driving all piles for deadman and should complete driving sheet piles today. They do have 5 pairs of sheet piles extra about 23 ft. which we are negotiating with them on the cost to install. Engineer Joe Picciola reported that Crosby Dredging is substantially complete for the Flotation Canal Hydraulic Dredge project. We plan to have a final balancing change order for the next meeting.

Airport Projects – Richard Osborne reported that the Beacon and Tower Painting project is complete which was 100% funded by DOTD. The Storm Water Management Drainage Study of \$123,380 is 90% FAA funded and 10% DOTD funded. Duplantis Design Group has completed the final draft which we expect to receive by the end of August. We did receive a grant for the Runway/Taxiway Lighting Design of \$100,500 which is 90% FAA funded and 10% DOTD funded. Duplantis Design Group is 75% complete with the design. Osborne updated the board on aircraft operations of 66,000 passengers and 15,000 operations for 2016. Executive Director Chett Chiasson stated that on Monday the Chevron Heliport facility reached 50,000 passengers. They are obviously the bulk of the passenger counts presented. Gaudet stated the jet activity for the past few months are higher than normal.

Other Projects – Chiasson stated that we received notice from the Corp that the commenting period for the environmental portion of the Assumption of Maintenance Study has ended. They received no comments so now they are working on final approval of the study. Chiasson reported yesterday he signed the memorandum of agreement for the Section 203 Feasibility Study. The Colonel should have it today ready to sign. We are now working on getting the cost together of what the Corp will charge for reviews throughout the study which will be presented to the board for approval. Dustin Malbrough with GIS Engineering reported that with the MOA being signed serves as general business terms to deal with the Corps. We are now working on all the supporting agreements which some have already been drafted. GIS is close to completing the development stages of the study that will put in order the public review periods throughout the study which should be complete this month. GIS will start mid-September to engage with the industry to collect data. Chiasson stated that it has taken 2 years to get to this point with the signed MOA and the actual study will take approximately 2 years to complete. This study will determine how much deeper draft we can go in Fourchon which will be important to our future in serving the oil and gas industry. Joni Tuck reported that the survey work for the Geotube Beach Repair project is complete. Engineer Angelette-Picciola is currently working on final drawings and the cost estimate. We continue to work with FEMA and GOHSEP to finalize this process. Davie Breaux reported on the Town of Golden

Meadow Floodwall Improvements/Bulkhead project. The contractor continues driving piles and putting seals in place to install PVC sheet piles.

Update from South Louisiana Economic Council – Vic Lafont presented 2nd quarter report. SLEC hosted a successful job fair in June. The event resulted in 31 companies and 827 attendees. Companies in attendance interviewed 402 candidates and hired 45 candidates with another 15 still waiting. Regional strategic plan is almost complete which will outline the goals of SLEC for the next 3 years addressing both sustainability and future growth of our industries. SLEC has started actively marketing 4 ports. Aggressively working with Port Fourchon. Looking ahead to tour Panama Canal Sept. 21st for opportunities and Sept. 30th SLEC will be addressing companies that have been affected by the downturn in the industry. Economic indicators point to the 4th quarter of 2015 as the bottom of the bust in the Bayou Region. Industry sectors were down 20% from 2014. In May 2016, the Bayou Region led the state and nation in percent change in job growth compared to May 2015. Lafont then presented charts to show the changes in employment by each parish. If the slight gradual increase of job growth holds true, it could confirm that the bottom was the last quarter of 2015. Leading economist predict the economy will not start feeling good until late 2017 or early 2018. Lastly, Lafont reported Louisiana's rotary rig count of land and offshore as of July 15th was 46 which is down 23 from last year. Gisclair questioned the job fair results, which Lafont repeated the findings from earlier. Gisclair stated job fairs work and suggested having them periodically during this time, which Lafont agreed there is a lot of work to do to replenish the workforce in the area and SLEC will play a role in getting us back. Melancon questioned if the Manning Passing Academy continues to grow, which Lafont replied yes. It has a lot to do with the economy but has nothing to do with the oil industry, seafood, or agriculture. There are more than 1300 kids coming from different states to come play football with the Manning family. The academy had a \$4.45 million impact in direct tourism, entertainment, and field maintenance spending in the Bayou Region. There is a contract for 5 more years but don't be surprised if we see 2 camps a year because they fill up fast.

No update from the LA 1 Coalition. No public comment.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee - The committee met on July 27th in Fourchon present was P. Gisclair, Cheramie, and Griffin, with Melancon absent. They also met on August 8th in Galliano with all present.

Upon motion by Cheramie second by Collins, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Corp of Engineers right of entry agreement for jetty repairs. Chiasson explained the Corp will repair 500' of the eastern jetty and add a 500' extension to the north.

Upon motion by Gaudet second by R. Gisclair, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from VIH Helicopters USA to assign the sublease from Construction Helicopters to Bristow US for sites SLIP-12 and SLIP-14 at the Airport.

Upon motion by Collins second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Chevron for a mobile home site at the SL Industrial Park.

Permits & Waterways Committee - The committee met on July 27th in Fourchon present was Cheramie, Griffin, and P. Gisclair, with Collins absent. They also met on August 8th in Galliano with all present.

Chairman Cheramie presented for the board review the permit applications from Jason Pitre, Shell Pipeline Company, and Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

Construction & Development Committee - The committee met on July 27th in Fourchon present was Bruce, Griffin, R. Gisclair and P. Gisclair. They also met on August 8th in Galliano with all present.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved an amendment to the Lafourche Parish Government Community Development Block Grant application for the Storm Harbor Marina to correct the Port Commission's grant match from \$25,000 to \$27,450.

Upon motion by Bruce second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved that the cash matching funds of \$600,000 for Minor Cheramie Sr. Road Paving Project are immediately available and has been approved in our budget. The funds are not conditioned or encumbered for any other purpose from the Port's unrestricted general fund.

Upon motion by R. Gisclair second by Cheramie, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the second amendment to the DOTD Intergovernmental Agreement for the Northern Expansion Slip C project.

Upon motion by Guidry second by Bruce, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the substantial completion certificate dated July 17, 2016 from Shavers-Whittle Construction for the Slip C 800' East Bulkhead project.

Upon motion by Gaudet second by Melancon, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the substantial completion certificate dated August 1, 2016 from Crosby Dredging for the Flotation Canal Hydraulic Dredge project.

Upon motion by Collins, second by R. Gisclair, with no public comment, the board unanimously accepted the FAA grant award of \$90,450 for the Taxiway Lighting Design project for the Airport.

Finance Committee - The committee met on July 27th in Fourchon present was Guidry, P. Gisclair, and Gaudet, with Melancon absent. They also met on August 8th in Galliano with all present.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved payment of July 2016 invoices and recognized expenditures over \$10,000 which total \$2,569,815.65.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Bruce, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved July 2016 unaudited financial statements.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Gaudet, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the out of state travel requests from Lt. Troy Dufrene and Sgt. Mitch Hohensee to attend the Zuercher One User Conference in South Dakota September 13th - 16th.

President P. Gisclair opened the floor for any other business and announced that on Sunday, August 14th Bayou Backing the Badge at Cut Off Youth Center come out and support local law enforcement. They will have plate lunches, fun for kids, and various law enforcement such as Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office, Harbor Police, Fire Department, State Troopers to give different demonstrations.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved to enter into executive session to discuss the vessel graveyard agreement by and between the Greater Lafourche Port Commission and Louisiana Land and Exploration, a two third vote resulted in all 9 yeas. Board returned from session.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Collins, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the vessel graveyard agreement by and between the Port Commission and Louisiana Land and Exploration (LL&E) consistent with the June 21st correspondence from LL&E.

Upon motion by Cheramie second by Gaudet, with no public comment, the board adjourned the board meeting at 11:18 AM.

ATTEST:



Perry Gisclair, President



Harris "Chuckie" Cheramie, Jr., Secretary