

**GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION**

**AGENDA**

**September 14, 2016 at 10:30 AM**

**Administration Building · 16829 East Main St · Galliano, LA**

*(Posted: September 9, 2016 at 9:45 AM)*

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consider approval of minutes for August 10, 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. Storm Water Management (*Duplantis Design Group*)
    - 2. Taxiway Lighting project (*Duplantis Design Group*)
    - 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*)
    - 5. Connector Road Base
    - 6. Airport Maintenance Shop Addition
- VI. Update from LA 1 Coalition
- VII. Public Comment - None
- VIII. Committee Reports
  - A. Executive Committee
    - 1. Consider approving the Per Diem Policy revisions
    - 2. Consider approving the request from Energy World USA to lease waterfront property with a right of first refusal on the remaining west Bayou Lafourche site
    - 3. Consider approving the request the request from Energy World USA to lease Site GLF304-3
    - 4. Consider approving the request from Allport Services for site GLF616
    - 5. Consider approving the form to delegate members to attend the 2016 AAPA Annual Convention meetings
    - 6. Consider approving the bids for surplus equipment sale
  - B. Permits & Waterways Committee
    - 1. Review the permit applications from the Greater Lafourche Port Commission(2), Allied Shipyard, Louis Cheramie, and Corps of Engineers
  - C. Construction & Development Committee
    - 1. Consider approving the change order from Shavers-Whittle Construction for the Slip C 800' East Bulkhead project
    - 2. Consider approving the change order from Crosby Dredging for the Slip C 800' East Dredge project
    - 3. Consider approving the substantial completion certificate from Crosby Dredging for the Slip C 800' East Dredge project
    - 4. Consider approving the change order from Crosby Dredging for the Flotation Canal Hydraulic Dredge project
  - D. Finance Committee
    - 1. Consider approving payment of August 2016 invoices and recognize expenditures over \$10,000
    - 2. Consider approving the August 2016 unaudited financial statements
    - 3. Consider approving insurance renewals
    - 4. Consider approving the out of state travel requests
- IX. Any other business – None
- X. Adjournment

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**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION**  
**September 14, 2016**

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, September 14, 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 August 10, 2016 regular meeting.

**Executive Director's Report**

Northern Expansion – Engineer Neil Angelette reported Shavers Whittle is complete and in the lien period for Slip C 800 LF East Bulkhead project. He recommends payment and approval of Change Order No. 1 a decrease of \$40,878.25 with 31 additional days. Engineer Angelette reported Crosby Dredging is substantially complete as of September 1<sup>st</sup> for Slip C 800 LF East Dredging project. He recommends payment and approval of Change Order No. 1 an increase of \$9,231.75 due to adjustment of quantities. Engineer Angelette reported Blanchard Contractors continues to make progress for Slip C 950 LF West Bulkhead project. All sheet piles are driven and they are ready to pour concrete for deadman. He expects them to be complete on time. Engineer Joe Picciola reported Crosby Dredging is complete and in the lien period for the Flotation Canal Hydraulic Dredge project. He recommends approval of Change Order No. 1 an increase of \$72,777 due to adjustment of quantities.

Airport Projects – Richard Osborne reported on the Storm Water Management Drainage Study funded by FAA and DOTD. Duplantis Design Group has completed the final draft which we submitted our comments on and we do have a meeting scheduled tomorrow with them. We expect to receive the final study by our next meeting. The Runway/Taxiway Lighting Design project funded by FAA and DOTD is in the final stages of design. We reviewed the design and made comments and they are making final revisions. Osborne updated the board on August's aircraft operations of 2,278 with 8,928 passengers. To date for 2016, totals 17,374 operations and 74,969 passengers.

Other Projects – Executive Director Chett Chiasson stated we are waiting final approval from the Corps for the Assumption of Maintenance Study. Dustin Malbrough reported on the Section 203 Feasibility Study. During the next few weeks, working on data collections and the justification for the different water depths needed. Today, we have a meeting with the Port to discuss the process of collecting data and scheduling a meeting with tenants. Chiasson reported that the drawings are complete to apply for the permit for the Geotube Beach Repair project. We continue to work with FEMA and GOHSEP to provide information needed. Engineer John Plaisance reported the contractor for the Town of Golden Meadow Floodwall Improvements/Bulkhead project continues to make progress. He expects completion by the end of October. Davie Breaux reported that E&L Enterprise is approximately 60% complete on the Connector Road Base project despite delays due to weather conditions. We also received approval for the pipeline crossing so we will move forward with that section as planned and also have E&L install the culverts to connect to Adam Ted Gisclair Road. Breaux reported the Airport Maintenance Shop Addition will consist of a lean to canopy on the backside of the building for tractors. We ordered the material from the same building company to match the wind loads. We are working with Joe Picciola to engineer drawings for the foundation and installation to be bid out.

Update from LA 1 Coalition – Henri Boulet reported several developments have occurred with the state and the LA 1 Project since the last update. He had reported in April that the Corps of Engineers was requiring DOTD to perform a review of the geotechnical and structural analysis of the design of the T-Wall. That analysis was complete on May 31<sup>st</sup> with a 408 Letter of Permission granted to the project. Consequently, LA DNR issued the projects Coastal Use Permit on July 19<sup>th</sup>, and the Corps issued the updated 404 Permit on July 20<sup>th</sup>. While DOTD could have proceeded on going to bid after receipt of these permits, as he reported in May the Commissioner of Administration still had to approve DOTD's request to finance the project. Later in May, the state administration halted many projects authorizations due to the state's financial burden of state bond funded projects already under construction. While the LA 1 Project still has funds designated in the state's Capital Outlay Bill finalized in the second special session, bonding for new projects remain prioritized behind existing bond projects under construction, and for that reason, Segment C of the LA 1 Project has not been authorized by the Commissioner of Administration's Office to proceed to advertisement. While both the permit delays into July and the state's current bonding capacity challenges for new projects have no doubt delayed the bidding of Segment C, Boulet is encouraged that Governor Edwards administration is looking at several funding mechanisms that could potentially build all of Phase II as one project, rather than 3 separate segments with 3 mobilization and demobilization costs. The state should be able to save a substantial amount of this \$345 million cost if it builds the entire 8.3 miles at the same time. There are tremendous challenges to achieve this, but the Coalition is doing all it can to support the state in this funding concept. If it works out, it could build the whole project in half the time it might take to build the project in three separate segments. We will not know results of the funding mechanisms until sometime in the spring. Boulet will continue to update the board on the strategy for all of Phase II's estimated construction cost. Should any of the funding components of building all of Phase II at once not materialize, the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement remains in place as a mechanism to encourage the state to move forward with Segment C. Finally, the South Lafourche Levee District has agreed to maintain the T-Wall once it is built by the state, and this pledge was critical in forwarding the issuance of the Corps permits, so he publicly thanked the Levee District for this significant pledge, and thanked the Port Commission for the continued support of achieving this public works project.

Gisclair stated that the oil industry is very interested in getting this done. From the \$6.6 million of private industry funds that were put in, do we have the assurance that the private industry is committed to keep those funds in since there is a delay? Boulet replied that those funds are on deposit at the state and they have to use it for that project or they have to return it after so long. Boulet met with all the companies and they want the highway built rather than the money back. The strategy is to push for the whole project and if not then push for the smaller portion that already has the match to get done. Chiasson stated that he attended a meeting last week with all parties involved and the plan is to wait several months to see where the funding is at before we look into changing the cooperative endeavor agreement to the current figures. In the meantime, the LA 1 Coalition continues to get commitments from companies interested to be part of the project.

President P. Gisclair opened the floor to public comment. Mr. Willis Toups announced his candidacy for Golden Meadow Town Council.

### **Committee Reports**

Executive Committee - The committee met on August 24<sup>th</sup> in Fourchon present was P. Gisclair, Cheramie, Griffin, and Melancon. They also met on September 12<sup>th</sup> in Galliano with all present.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Collins, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the revised Per Diem Policy which includes the 2009 increase.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Bruce, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Energy World USA to lease 40.175 acres of waterfront property with a right of first refusal on the remaining 102.223 acres on the west Bayou Lafourche site.

Upon motion by Gaudet second by R. Gisclair, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Energy World USA to lease Site GLF304-3.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Allport Services to defer improvement rental for one year for site GLF616.

Upon motion by R Gisclair second by Bruce with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the form to delegate Chett Chiasson to attend the 2016 AAPA Annual Convention meetings with Perry Gisclair and Kris Gaudet as alternates.

Upon motion by Cheramie second by Melancon, the board unanimously approved the high bids for the surplus equipment sale except for the Dodge truck. The truck will be re-advertised with a minimum bid once it is evaluated by Southland Dodge. The tie bid (Item#30) will go to Mr. Rodrigue.

Permits & Waterways Committee - The committee met on August 24<sup>th</sup> in Fourchon present was Cheramie, Griffin, P. Gisclair, and Collins. They also met on September 12<sup>th</sup> in Galliano with all present.

Chairman Cheramie presented for the board's review the permit applications from the Greater Lafourche Port Commission, Allied Shipyard, Louis Cheramie, and Corps of Engineers. Chiasson stated that he did call Allied Shipyard and they stated that the contractor plans to place material directly on the opposite bank and not in the channel. He stated we will contact the contractor as well stating our concerns.

Construction & Development Committee - The committee met on August 24<sup>th</sup> in Fourchon present was Bruce, Griffin, R. Gisclair, and P. Gisclair. They also met on September 12<sup>th</sup> in Galliano with all present.

Upon motion by Guidry second by Bruce, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 a decrease of \$40,878.25 and 31 additional days from Shavers-Whittle Construction for the Slip C 800' East Bulkhead project.

Upon motion by Collins second by Gaudet, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 an increase of \$9,231.75 from Crosby Dredging for the Slip C 800' East Dredge project.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Substantial Completion Certificate dated September 1, 2016 from Crosby Dredging for the Slip C 800' East Dredge project.

Upon motion by R. Gisclair second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 an increase of \$72,777 from Crosby Dredging for the Flotation Canal Hydraulic Dredge project.

Finance Committee - The committee met on August 24<sup>th</sup> in Fourchon present was Guidry, P. Gisclair, Gaudet, and Melancon. They also met on September 12<sup>th</sup> in Galliano with all present.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved payment of August 2016 invoices and recognized expenditures over \$10,000 which total \$1,504,395.87.

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

Upon motion by Melancon second by Collins, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the insurance renewals.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Cheramie, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the out of state travel requests from April Danos to attend the Maritime Security West Conference in Washington September 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> and Officer Parish Lyons to attend the LPICMU Dive Certification in Florida September 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>.

Upon motion by Cheramie second by Griffin, the board adjourned the board meeting at 11:05 AM.

ATTEST:

Perry Gisclair, President

Harris "Chuekie" Cheramie, Jr., Secretary