

GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

AGENDA

March 13, 2019 at 10:30AM

Administration Office • 16829 East Main St • Cut Off, LA 70345

(Posted: March 8, 2019 at 10:30AM)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approve minutes for February 13, 2019 regular meeting
- V. Executive Director's Report
 - A. Northern Expansion
 - 1. Northern Expansion Slip C 1671' East Sweep Dredging (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - 2. Minor Cheramie Sr. Road Paving (*Angelette-Picciola*)
 - B. Airport Projects
 - 1. Aircraft Operations
 - 2. Airfield Drainage Improvements – Design Phase (*Duplantis Design Group*)
 - 3. Runway Approach Easement (RPZ)
 - 4. Airport Road Culvert Improvements (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - 5. LPG - LA 308 Airport Access Improvements - LPG (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - C. Other Projects
 - 1. SLLD – LA 1 Re-Alignment and Flood Wall (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - 2. Section 203 Feasibility Study (*GIS Engineering*)
 - 3. Nerby Collins Marina Boat Lift Extension (*GIS Engineering*)
 - 4. Public Boat Launch Bulkhead Repairs (*GIS Engineering*)
 - 5. CCTV Slip B Camera and Equipment
 - 6. Belle Pass Structure Repairs
 - 7. Corps of Engineers - Dredging Belle Pass
- VI. Update from Scott Angelle, Director of Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE)
- VII. Public Comment
- VIII. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee
 - 1. Consider approving the appointment for South Lafourche Beachfront Development District
 - 2. Consider approving request from Seacor Marine/Falcon Global to extend the short-term mooring agreement in Flotation Canal
 - 3. Consider approving the advertisement for summer employment
 - B. Permits & Waterways Committee
 - 1. Review permits from Energy Quest II, LLC and LLOX, LLC
 - C. Construction and Development Committee
 - 1. Consider adopting the DOTD Resolution Accepting the Work from Magnolia Dredge & Dock for the Slip C 1671' Sweep Dredging
 - 2. Consider accepting the Clear Lien Certificate from Magnolia Dredge & Dock for Slip C 1671' East Bulkhead project
 - 3. Consider approving the Change Order No. 2 from Plaisance Dragline & Dredge for the Public Boat Launch Pavilion Bulkhead Repairs and Awning Removal
 - 4. Consider approving the Substantial Completion Certificate from Plaisance Dragline & Dredge for the Public Boat Launch Pavilion Bulkhead Repairs and Awning Removal
 - D. Finance Committee
 - 1. Consider approving payment of February 2019 invoices and recognize expenditures over \$10,000
 - 2. Consider approving the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire
 - 3. Consider approving the out of state travel requests
- IX. Any Other Business
- X. Public Comment
- XI. Adjournment

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
March 13, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 10:30AM at the Administration Office 16829 East Main Street, Cut Off, LA 70345.

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

ATTENDED: Harris Cheramie, Jr., Perry Gisclair, Jimmy Lafont, Rodney Gisclair, Curtis Pierce, Larry Griffin, John Melancon, Jr., Mike Callais, and Kris Callais

ABSENT: None

Upon motion by Griffin second by Melancon, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the minutes for February 13, 2019 regular meeting.

Executive Director's Report

Northern Expansion - Engineer Joe Picciola reported Magnolia Dredge & Dock is complete with the punch list items for Slip C 1671' East Sweep Dredging. The clear lien certificate and retainage payment is on the agenda today. Engineer Larry Picciola reported the Minor Cheramie Sr. Road Paving project is being advertised with the pre-bid meeting on March 20th and the bid opening scheduled for April 2nd.

Airport Projects - Davie Breaux reported in February the aircraft operations were 1,550, with 8,402 passengers, and 18,127 vehicles. He stated that Duplantis Design Group sent FAA the Airfield Drainage Improvements plans. We are waiting feedback from FAA to move forward. Executive Director Chett Chiasson reported the Runway Approach Easement proposal for an agreement was submitted to the landowner for the tree cutting. We are waiting a response. Engineer Joe Picciola reported on the Airport Road Culvert Improvements project. Byron E. Talbot Contractors completed the installation of the box culverts. They are now working on patching and overlaying the roadway. They should be complete in a couple of days weather permitted. Engineer Joe Picciola reported Beverly Construction is substantially complete as of Monday, March 11th for the Parish's LA 308 Airport Access Improvements project. They are doing the final site cleanup and grass seeding on the shoulders.

Other Projects - Engineer Joe Picciola reported Byron E. Talbot Contractor is doing the embankment and dirt work for the South Lafourche Levee District's LA 1 Re-Alignment and Flood Wall. They plan to move in the crane in the next few weeks for the pile foundation. The traffic is moving along well. Dustin Malbrough with GIS Engineering reported the Section 203 Feasibility Study first phase of review ends this week. Chiasson and Phil Bangart have meetings scheduled next week in DC to discuss the next steps. We will be ready to address comments when the review phase is complete. Chiasson stated the review period is 120 days. Melancon questioned if we received any feedback since they received the package, which Malbrough replied the only feedback we received is that they sent it down the chains. We will follow-up with them next week while in DC. Engineer John Plaisance reported the Nerby Collins Marina Boat Lift Extension is in the lien period. Engineer John Plaisance reported there is a change order on the agenda for the Public Boat Launch Pavilion Bulkhead Repairs. Chiasson stated the new contract price is \$87,905.00 for upgrades to the boat launch. April Danos reported the CCTV Slip B Camera and Equipment project is moving forward with installation scheduled for March 18th. Danos reported we are working on a design for the new Belle Pass Tower upgrades. Chiasson reported the Corps of Engineers has 3 work days remaining to complete the dredging of Belle Pass. They have 1500 linear feet of the channel left to dredge. It is nearing completion and he looks forward to seeing post dredge surveys. Chiasson then thanked Senator Norby Chabert, Representative Jerry Gisclair, Lafourche Assessor Wendy Thibodeaux, Parish Councilmen Daniel Lorraine, and Parish Councilwoman Luci Sposito for being here today.

Update from Scott Angelle, Director of Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) – Angelle addressed the board and acknowledged the importance of this Port Commission to America. He stated it is a new day in America and offshore matters. It starts with the Executive Order 13795 that the President has signed implementing an America First Offshore Energy Strategy. “It shall be the policy of the United States to encourage energy exploration and production, including on the Outer Continental Shelf, in order to maintain the Nation’s position as a global energy leader and foster energy security and resilience for the benefit of the American people, while ensuring that any such activity is safe and environmentally responsible.” He stated that you all know this because the people that work offshore are your neighbors, friends, and people that you see in the community and we never want to sacrifice the safety of these men and women. We can do both. Last year we had the highest production we ever had and one of our safest years. We can do two things at one time. Some offshore contributions are as follows: products used offshore are produced in 47 states, produces 315,000 jobs; 88% of Gulf oil is from Deepwater, and two decades ago only 50% was from Deepwater. We are going longer, stronger, deeper, and more complex. It is not about energy production or safe operations or environmental sustainability, we can do it all. Angelle stated a few facts are as follows: one in every 5 barrels of oil produced in America comes from offshore. We have 4 oceans in America and the smallest of them is the Gulf of Mexico which is responsible for 99% of oil production offshore. In 2017 it took 11 facilities to make up half the production in the gulf. In 2007 it took 37 facilities to make up half the oil production in the gulf. In 2018, there was a 45% increase in applications for permits to drill in the gulf. We have two different Gulf of Mexico’s we have Shallow Water vs. Deepwater. Shallow water production began 70 years ago, mostly gas, 50,000 wells drilled, 61% decrease in producing wells in last 20 years, oil production down 77% in 20 years, gas production down 92% in 20 years, and it is a “rabbit-size” prize. The Deepwater production began 45 years ago, mostly oil, 5,000 wells drilled, 73% increase in producing wells in 20 years, oil production up 198% in 20 years, gas production flat, and is an “elephant-size” prize. The Gulf of Mexico is changing with over the last 10 years we’ve witnessed a 54% reduction in the number of producing platforms, yet in the last 10 years saw a 30% increase in production. The conclusion is bigger, fewer, deeper, and more complex. Clearly it is not our grandfather’s world, investors are willing to take risk and have more options with the other countries competing with us. We may not be the only game in town, but we can be the best game in town. In regard to energy dominance, we grew up in a time of energy independence. We had 6 recessions in this country since 1973 and everyone one was preceded by a spike in energy prices. Our 6 steps to energy dominance are as follows: safety and environment, access to the resources, regulatory and process reform, competitive royalty rates, engagement, and tax reform. He then presented several graphs that show the injuries and incidents offshore were lower than onshore, mining, construction and industry wide injuries. Angelle then reported BSEE was tasked with reviewing the regulations to find any rule that is overly burdensome. He stated that 81 of the 484 provisions in the Production Safety Systems Rule were revised (16%) and 3 were removed. 59 of 342 provisions of the Draft Well Control Rule were revised (18%). He stated with this review they did not ignore or contradict the 424 recommendations made from the 14 organizations after the Deepwater Horizon incident. Angelle then presented a list of engagement companies of producers, drilling contractors, services providers, and stakeholders. Tax Reform was passed on December 22, 2017 a fairer and more competitive tax system that will unleash economic growth in our nation, creating jobs, and spurring investments. He stated the Gulf of Mexico is a mixed bag with different headlines “*Shell is selling off some of its Gulf of Mexico Assets*”, “*Oil production in the Gulf of Mexico begins to recover*”, and “*Deepwater’s Happy Days Almost Here Again*”. Angelle then stated he instituted a measure of vital statistics which are key data points that BSEE uses for assessing progress and impact in key program areas. He announced that the LA 1 toll bridge traffic counts are now part of a list of vital statistics to help inform our government on the activity levels. Cheramie thanked him for the presentation. Angelle thanked the board for the work they do for the country. With no public comment, the board moved the committee reports.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee - The committee met February 27th in Fourchon present were Cheramie, R. Gisclair, P. Gisclair, and Melancon. They also met March 11th in Cut Off with all members present.

Chairman Cheramie presented for the board's consideration the appointment for South Lafourche Beachfront Development District. Director Chiasson stated we received 2 applicants Jared Galjour and Shane Terrebonne. Pierce made a motion to nominate Jared Galjour for the appointment and if for some reason Galjour can't accept the nomination he would like Shane Terrebonne as the alternate. The motion was second by Melancon, with no public comment, the board unanimously appointed Jared Galjour as the appointment for the South Lafourche Beachfront Development District with the alternate being Shane Terrebonne.

Upon motion by R. Gisclair second by Pierce, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Seacor Marine to extend for one year the short-term mooring agreement in Flotation Canal for staging 2 liftboats.

Upon motion by M. Callais second by K. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the advertisement for summer employment to hire 6 roustabout workers. The deadline to submit applications will be Monday, May 6th and the board will pull names at the board meeting on Wednesday, May 8th. The only change from last year is preference shall be given to residents of the 10th ward of Lafourche Parish.

Permits & Waterways Committee – The committee met February 27th in Fourchon present were P. Gisclair, Pierce, Lafont and Cheramie. They also met March 11th in Cut Off with all members present.

Chairman P. Gisclair presented for the board's review the permits from Energy Quest II, LLC and LLOX, LLC.

Construction and Development Committee – The committee met February 27th in Fourchon present were Griffin, K. Callais, Lafont, and Cheramie. They also met March 11th in Cut Off with all members present.

Upon motion by P. Gisclair second by Lafont, with no public comment, the board unanimously adopted the DOTD Resolution Accepting the Work from Magnolia Dredge & Dock for the Slip C 1671' Sweep Dredging. Chiasson stated the project totaled \$936,882.31 with \$767,441.16 paid by DOTD Port Priority Program funds.

Upon motion by Pierce second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously accepted the Clear Lien Certificate from Magnolia Dredge & Dock for Slip C 1671' East Sweep Dredging project.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 2 from Plaisance Dragline & Dredge for the Public Boat Launch Pavilion Bulkhead Repairs and Awning Removal an increase of \$5,075 and 7 additional days for a total contract price of \$87,905.00.

Upon motion by P. Gisclair second by R. Gisclair, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Substantial Completion Certificate dated February 22, 2019 from Plaisance Dragline & Dredge for the Public Boat Launch Pavilion Bulkhead Repairs and Awning Removal.

Finance Committee – The committee met February 27th in Fourchon present were Melancon, R. Gisclair, M. Callais, and Cheramie. They also met March 11th in Cut Off with all members present.


Upon motion by Melancon second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved payment of February 2019 invoices and recognized expenditures over \$10,000 which total \$2,720,666.72.

Upon motion by Melancon second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for 2018 audit.

Upon motion by Melancon second by R. Gisclair, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the out of state travel requests from Chett Chiasson, Davie Breaux, and Thad Angelloz to attend the 2019 Offshore Technology Conference in Texas May 6th – 9th, Chett Chiasson, Perry Gisclair, Rodney Gisclair, and Curtis Pierce to attend the GPAA Spring Meeting in Alabama May 1st – 3rd, and April Danos to attend the AAPA Port Security Conference in Pennsylvania July 23rd – 26th.

Upon motion by P. Gisclair second by Pierce, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:21 AM.

ATTEST:



Harris J. Cheramie, Jr., President



Perry Gisclair, Secretary