AGENDA

GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION MONTHLY MEETING

JULY 12, 1983

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Approval of minutes of regular meeting of June 21, 1983
- 4. Financial report
- 5. Approval of payment of May invoices
- 6. Letters of No Objection
- 7. Executive Director's Report:
 - A. Belle Pass Dredging Report
 - B. Pass Fourchon Commercial Marina Report
 - C. Open bids on Extension and Repair of Port Fourchon Public Boat Launching Facility
 - D. Open bids on Sale of Tractor
- 9. Any other business to come before the Board
- 10. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

JULY 12, 1983

The Greater Lafourche Port Commission of the State of Louisiana met in regular session in the Conference Room of the Commission Administration Building in Galliano, Louisiana, on Tuesday, July 12, 1983, at 10:30 A. M. pursuant to the provision of due notice given in writing to each and every member thereof and duly posted in the manner provided by law.

PRESENT: Robert M. Champagne, Murphy J. Cheramie, Tomey J. Doucet, Louis

Chabert, Harrison J. Cheramie, Jr., Dudley Bernard and Vhores

Trosclair, Jr.

ABSENT: Roland J. Guidry and Anthony Toups

President Tomey Doucet convened the meeting and announced the purpose thereof in accordance with the aforesaid written notice.

On motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Vhores Trosclair, Jr. and unanimously passed, the minutes of the regular meeting of June 21, 1983 were approved.

On motion by Louis Chabert, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board approved the Financial Statement for June, 1983.

On motion by Louis Chabert, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously passed, the payment of all invoices received during the previous month was approved.

Approval of issuance of letters of no objection of the following applicants was given on motion by Louis Chabert, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and the unanimous consent of the Board:

The Stone Petroleum Corporation Goodrich Oil Company, Inc. Texaco, Inc.

Mr. Andre Gravois

Mr. Melvin Kiff

LOOP, Inc.

Chevron USA, Inc.

Mr. Louis J. Cheramie

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Commencing his report, Director Falgout gave a progress report on the application for funds for the emergency dredging of Belle Pass. The Port Commission is still awaiting word from Washington. Director Falgout will meet with Mr. Norris Willis of the EDA, who will review the project area. Director Falgout stated that it was his understanding that once the Port Commission is authorized to file the formal application, there is a 99% chance that the Port will receive the funds. Formal applications are not authorized until the decision is made to fund the project. Hopefully, some encouragement from Washington can speed up the review and the authorization needed can be obtained. Therefore, in the next few weeks a response should be received as to whether or not the Port is authorized to go through with the application. Director Falgout recommended that it would be appropriate to authorize Picciola & Associates, Inc. to put together plans and specification. Upon motion by Vhores Trosclair, Jr., seconded by Robert Champagne and unanimously passed, the engineering firm of Picciola & Associates, Inc. is hereby authorized to prepare the plans and specifications for the dredging of Belle Pass.

In connection with the new marina, Director Falgout reported that the old A. J. Estay Road along Pass Fourchon had been closed off effective July 1st. Closing off this road has discouraged vessels from docking along this area. NO MOORING signs have been placed along the road. Boats are now using the new marina and also the South side of Pass Fourchon. Some are also using the frontage leased to Berwick Bay Oil Co. (which Director Falgout feels Berwick Bay will eventually ask that the Port Commission prohibit vessels from docking). Director Falgout further reported some minor damage which has been repaired. On the east side of the loading zone the revetment built to hold the dirt did not quite mesh with the bulkhead and shells were coming out. Director Falgout contacted the engineer, who contacted the contractor and repairs will be made. He also reported that the tri-lock mats were holding up well.

Continuing, Director Falgout stated it was time to open bids for the sale of the Oliver 600 Diesel Tractor. He then proceeded to open and read the bids as follows:

Mr. Errol Foret \$319.00 Mr. Warren Plaisance \$226.34

After considering the bids, Director Falgout recommended the Board accept the high bid. Upon motion by Louis Chabert, seconded by Murphy Cheramie and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to accept the high bid and sell the Oliver 600 Diesel Tractor to Errol Foret for \$319.00 cash.

In connection with the bids for the Extension and Repair of Port Fourchon Boat Launching Facility, Director Falgout informed the Board that a problem had arisen in that the copy of the conditions sent to the engineer was missing about 15-20 pages. Therefore, the opening of bids must be delayed until the August meeting to allow the engineer time to incorporate the missing pages into the bid package.

Concluding his report, Director Falgout stated that the Board had often discussed, in the past, the problem with butterfly nets obstructing navigable channels, particularly at Belle Pass and around the Leeville bridge. Some of the board members had previously requested that he inquire about regulations prohibiting this. Director Falgout reported that the Highway Department has a regulation prohibiting vessels from tying to a bridge or the bumpers on the sides. He suggested the Port Commission could request that the Highway Department enforce this regulation. However, he pointed out that the Port Commission does have authority to regulate water traffic in this area. President Doucet suggested that a committee be appointed to study the problem and come up with a regulation to prohibit this. He also suggested writing to the Highway Department to make them aware of the problem at the Leeville bridge. The Board further discussed the matter. After which, President Doucet appointed Vhores Trosclair, Jr., Murphy Cheramie and Robert Champagne to make a study of the problem and report back to the Board.

Board Member Chabert inquired about vessels 35' or less docking at the pier in the marina when there is no room at the section on the back side where these smaller vessels can tie up. Discussion was held in connection therewith. The Board decided to leave the matter alone.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion by Louis Chabert, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board adjourned.

ATTEST:

Tomey Doucet, President

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