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GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION MONTHLY MEETING

DECEMBER 13, 1983

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Approval of minutes of regular meeting of November 8, 1983
- 4. Financial Report
- 5. Approval of payment of November invoices
- 6. Letters of No Objection
- 7. President's Report
- 8. Executive Director's Report:
 - A. Dredging update
 - B. New lessee update
 - C. Phase IV Development update
 - D. Proposed New Public Boat Pier
- 9. Any other business to come before the Board
- 10. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION DECEMBER 13, 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, December 13, 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: Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Anthony Toups, Vhores Trosclair, Jr., Louis Chabert, Tomey Doucet, Robert M. Champagne, Murphy J.

Cheramie, Dudley Bernard and Roland Guidry

ABSENT: None

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

On motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Robert Champagne and unanimously passed, the minutes of the regular meeting of November 8, 1983 were approved.

On motion by Louis Chabert, seconded by Vhores Trosclair, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board approved the Financial Statement for November, 1983.

On motion by Louis Chabert, seconded by Murphy Cheramie and unanimously approved, 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 Roland Guidry, seconded by Dudley Bernard and the unanimous consent of the Board:

Texas Gas Exploration Company
Mr. Leroy Dufrene
Chevron USA, Inc.
Gulf Oil Corporation
Gulf Oil Exploration & Production Co.
Mr. Son Thieu Nyguen
Tenneco Oil Exploration & Production Co.

Mr. Guidry read a letter from Sea Farms, Inc. requesting a letter of no objection to placing culverts on leased property at Port Fourchon. He recommended denying this request due to the fact that placing additional culverts through the flood protection levees would enhance the possibilities of flood waters endangering Commission roads and other improvements. Upon motion by Louis Chabert, seconded by Vhores Trosclair, Jr. and unanimously approved, the Board denied the request by Sea Farms, Inc. for a "Letter of No Objection."

Mr. Guidry also read a request from Ted St. Pierre for a permit to construct five timber pile barricades in canals approximately 10 miles East of Golden Meadow. He recommended denying this request because three of the five proposed barricades traverse natural navigable water bodies rather than private canals. Upon motion by Roland Guidry, seconded by Vhores Trosclair, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board denied the request by Ted St. Pierre for a "Letter of No Objection."

President Doucet reported that the lease with Gulf Oil Company had been finalized and was ready to be signed. Upon motion by Robert Champagne, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously passed, the President of the Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to execute a Lease Agreement with Gulf Oil Company on the terms and conditions contained in said Lease Agreement, on the following described property, to-wit:

A tract of land containing 1.632 acres located in the Southeast quarter of Section 14, Township 23 South, Range 22 East, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana, described as follows: Commencing at a corner marker stamped Greater Lafourche Port Commission having Louisiana Lambert Coordinates, South Zone, of X=2,359,955.37 and Y=164,937.44; thence N 33°42'30"W, grid bearing, a distance of 455.81 feet; thence N 88°07'45"E a distance of 2558.08 feet to the point of beginning; thence N 88°07'46"E a distance of 250.00 feet; thence South 1°52'15"E a distance of 309.68 feet to the northerly right of way line of A. J. Estay Road; thence 80°05'34" W along said right of way a distance of 83.94 feet; thence westerly along said right of way line being a tangential curver, concave to the south, having a radius of 4,363.64 feet a distance of 170.77 feet; thence N 1°52'15" W a distance of 260.98 feet to the point of beginning.

Being a portion of that certain tract of land containing 19.08 acres in Section 14, Township 23 South, Range 22 East, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana, leased to the Greater Lafourche Port Commission pursuant to a lease agreement dated September 1, 1981 executed by Caillouet Land Corporation to the Greater Lafourche Port Commission recorded in COB 751, Page 80, Entry No. 549825, in the records of the Parish of Lafourche.

President Doucet also reported that the AMOCO lease was ready to be executed. Upon motion by Robert Champagne, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously approved, the President of the Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to execute a Lease Agreement with AMOCO Oil Company, on the terms and conditions contained in said Lease Agreement, on the property described therein.

President Doucet recognized the new Parish President, Bobby Tardo, who was in the audience. Mr. Tardo made a short statement.

Commencing his report, Director Falgout reported that the dredging project is complete. Project Engineer Marco Picciola reported that the work order was issued November 4th and the job completed November 29th with very little delay.

Upon motion by Louis Chabert, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously approved, the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission does hereby accept the "Dredging of Belle Pass - 83" project contracted by T. L. James & Co., Inc. as substantially complete.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director, to sign any and all documents in connection with the project "Dredging of Belle Pass - 83."

Upon motion by Roland J. Guidry, seconded by Louis Chabert and unanimously approved, the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission

does hereby certify that the \$141,248 of excess bond proceeds authorized under Act No. 332, 1970, as amended, will be expended to finance capital improvements authorized under the Act.

Upon motion by Roland J. Guidry, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Harrison J. Cheramie, Jr., Secretary, to sign the Request for Reimbursement under State Project No. 503-29-38 in connection with funds to be received from the Office of Public Works.

Director Falgout commented on the leases with Gulf Oil Company and AMOCO. He further stated that back in September he had received a request from Martin Fuel Distributors to lease additional property; however, he was waiting to see how much property AMOCO would lease. Since AMOCO only proposes to lease approximately 700' of the 1000' strip adjacent to Martin Fuel, approximatley 306' is now free to lease. However, Director Falgout stated that he had also received a request from Halliburton to lease this property. Director Falgout recommended that the property be leased to Martin Fuel since they requested the property first. Upon motion by Vhores Trosclair, Jr., seconded by Robert Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to lease the 306' strip of land between Martin Fuel and the proposed AMOCO lease to Martin Fuel Distributors under the terms and conditions as will be negotiated between Martin Fuel and Director Falgout.

Continuing his report, Director Falgout presented the proposed budgets for 1984 to the Board. Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Louis Chabert and unanimously passed, the General Fund Budget for the year 1984 be and the same is hereby adopted by the Board of Commissioners to serve as the operating budget for the Greater Lafourche Port Commission, for the same period. Said budget follows:

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1984

GENERAL FUND

ESTIMATED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		\$1,025,000
PROJECTED REVENUES:		
Ad Valorem Taxes & Revenue Sharing	\$ 540,000	
Lease Rentals (Port Fourchon)	470,000	
Office Rentals	10,800	
Interest on time deposits	75,000	
Loading Dock Fees	30,000	
Miscellaneous Revenues	10,000	
TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUES		1,135,800
TOTAL PROJECTED BALANCE		\$2,160,800
PROJECTED EXPENDITURES:		

Salaries 215,000 Advertising, Dues & Subscriptions 5,500 Assessor's Commission and Retirement Pension Expense 25,200 Autos & Boats - Fuel Expense 25,000 Autos & Boats - Parts & Repair Expense 12,000 4,000 Building Maintenance

Construction	d1 100 400	
	\$1,123,483	
Engineering	120,000	
Legal Fees	5,000	
Equipment & Vehicle Purchase	30,000	
General Maintenance	50,000	
Harbor Police Expense	8,500	
Insurance Expense	7,000	
General Insurance Expense	25,000	
Leases Payable	45,000	
Miscellaneous Expense	12,000	
Office & Supplies Expense	8,148	
Per Diems	10,000	
Retirement Expense	18,000	
Telephone Expense	4,500	
Tool Allowance	1,200	
Travel Expense	5,000	
Utilities Expense	12,000	
DEBT SERVICE:		
Capital Improvement Bonds (1970):		
Principal	125,000	
Interest	70,375	
Public Improvement Bonds (A,B,C):		
Principal	84,000	
Interest	9,594	
Bank Fees	300	
Contingent Fund	100,000	
TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENDITURES	5 , - 5 0	-2,160,000
PROJECTED ENDING FUND BALANCE		S -0-
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IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Capital Construction Fund Budget for the year 1984 be and the same is hereby adopted by the Board of Commissioners to serve as the operating construction budget for the Greater Lafourche Port Commission, for the same year. Said budget follows:

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1984-85

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION FUND

PHASE IV - DEVELOPMENT OF PORT FOURCHON:

ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT

\$3,000,000

PROJECTED REVENUES:

State Capital Outlay Funds	\$2,000,000	
General Fund	1,000,000	
TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUES		3,000,000
PROJECTED ENDING FUND BALANCE		\$ -0-

In connection with Phase IV development, Director Falgout called upon Engineer J. Wayne Plaisance to present the proposed plan to the Board. The first phase calls for dredging approximately 20' deep by 400' wide (from the entrance at Bayou Lafourche, digging the first leg of the slip and approximately half way to the second leg) and depositing the spoil outside of the other two legs to the dredged in the second phase. The cost will be approximately \$850,000; however, with the levees, engineering, etc. the cost will be approximately \$1 million to \$1.2 million for the project. Mr. Plaisance suggested that the building of the levees be let out on bid before the actual dredging commences.

Director Falgout reported that several requests had been received about leasing or buying the two public boat slips. Martin Fuel Distributors expressed an interest in the slip on the Pass Fourchon side and Deepwater Port Services about the slip adjacent to their lease. He further stated that perhaps a new public boat slip could be built in the area between the range lights and Dowell if the public slips are sold or leased. Another possibility is building a pier going out into Bayou Lafourche for docking on both sides. Director Falgout had Larry Picciola do a preliminary design. The estimated cost would be approximately \$1,000 per foot. Also, a pier could hold more vessels than a slip. A total estimated cost of this project would be approximately \$700,000-\$800,000. Some discussion followed. The Board agreed to pursue this project and authorized Larry J. Picciola to obtain figures, etc. as to whether or not a project such as this would be feasible.

Board Member Louis Chabert stated that he felt the Port Commission should get involved in either obtaining or aiding the parish and/or state in obtaining a public boat launch on the east side. Discussion followed in connection therewith. It was the consensus of the Board that the Port Commission should get involved to the point of assisting the parish and/or state in obtaining a boat launch on the east side. President Doucet appointed Whores Trosclair, Louis Chabert, Roland Guidry and Robert Champagne to serve on a committee to assist in obtaining the boat launch.

Mr. Allen Danos, from the audience, inquired about the proposed pier project, particularly in connection with lift boats coming in and docking at Port Fourchon. Discussion followed in connection therewith.

Board Member Roland Guidry reported to the Board of the need for fire equipment at Port Fourchon. He stated that the fire district would provide the equipment if the Port Commission would provide the building. Director Falgout stated that the Port Commission should also consider housing a harbor police station in the same building.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Vhores Trosclair, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board adjourned.

ATTEST:

Tomey Doucet President

Harrison Cheramie, Dr., Secreta