

AGENDA

August 8, 1989

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of minutes of July 11, 1989 meeting
4. President's Report:
 - a. Bayou Clean Up Update
5. Committee Reports:
 - I. Legal, Permits & Waterways
 - a. Letters of No Objection
 - b. Request for Temporary Suspension of Ordinance No. 50
 - II. Construction & Development:
 - a. Port Fourchon Administration Building Update
 - III. Finance:
 - a. July Invoices
 - b. Financial Report
 - c. Resolution adopting Systems Survey and Compliance Questionnaire on Audit
 - IV. Executive:
 - a. Request from Martin Fuel to sublease to IDF
6. Executive Director:
 - a. Recreational Boat Launch Update
 - b. Bayou Clean Up Update
 - c. Flotation Canal Update
 - d. Right of Way Encroachments
7. Other Business
 - a. Paramed Systems, Inc.
8. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

AUGUST 8, 1989

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session in the Conference Room of the Commission Administration Building in Galliano, Louisiana, on Tuesday, August 8, 1989 at 10:30 AM pursuant to the provision of due notice in writing to each and every member thereof and duly posted in the manner provided by law.

President Tomey J. Doucet called the meeting to order and requested that the Secretary call the roll.

PRESENT: Harrison J. Cheramie, Jr., Rodney J. Terrebonne, Allen J. Danos, Brent A. Duet, Tomey J. Doucet, Donald J. Vizier, Dudley Bernard and Roland J. Guidry.

ABSENT: Robert M. Champagne

Also present were Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director; George J. Ledet, Jr., Port Attorney; Larry J. Picciola and Marco Picciola II, Port Engineers; and Louverda A. Duet, Port Secretary.

Upon motion by Harrison J. Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Rodney J. Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the minutes of the regular meeting of July 11, 1989 were approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Doucet reported that the bayou clean up was going very well. He also stated that the Commission had received the Joe Silverberg Award for promoting the tourism on the bayou. He thanked the public for participating in the effort to keep the bayou clean.

LEGAL, PERMITS AND WATERWAYS:

Upon motion by Allen J. Danos, seconded by Roland J. Guidry and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize sending letters of no objection to the following applicants:

Plaisance Dragline & Dredging Company
Greater Lafourche Port Commission
Mr. Edmond A. Deramee, Jr.
United Gas Pipeline Company
Greenhill Petroleum Corporation
Mr. Mark Wilson
Mr. Marty Acosta
Chevron USA
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Mr. Guidry stated that the Committee had reviewed Port Ordinance No. 50 which prohibits night fishing in Belle Pass and recommends that the enforcement be effective immediately. He reported that they have discussed several alternatives to the total ban of night fishing with local fishermen and would like to experience one of the peak night fishing times, which will take place this month. He also stated that the Committee will have recommendations by the September meeting, whether it be to modify or reinstate the ban. He also stated that

Committee may choose, at its sole discretion, to reinstate the ban upon 24 hours notice at any time it be determined necessary. Upon motion by Roland J. Guidry, seconded by Harrison J. Cheramie, Jr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby agree to temporarily suspend the enforcement of Port Ordinance No. 50, effective immediately; however, said Commission does hereby retain the right to reinstate said Ordinance, should it choose to do so, upon 24 hours notice at any time it may be determined to be necessary.

CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Chairman Bernard stated that the Committee is still working on the Port Fourchon Building Plans; however, the cost is still not within the \$150,000 budgeted for said building. Therefore, the Committee recommends that Director Falgout get together with architect, Edmond Cheramie, to revise the plans.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Upon motion by Brent A. Duet, seconded by Roland J. Guidry and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve payment of invoices for the previous month.

Upon motion by Brent A. Duet, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the Financial Report for July, 1989.

Chairman Duet reported that the auditor had completed the audit of the 1988 financial report. He also reported that the Legislative Auditor informed the Commission that a compliance questionnaire (a required part of the financial audit) be filled out and approved by the Commission. Upon motion by Brent A. Duet, seconded by Dudley Bernard and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby adopt a Systems Survey and Compliance Questionnaire as a required part of the Commission's financial and compliance audit as of December 31, 1988, in compliance with the request of the Office of the Legislative Auditor.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

* Commencing his report, Chairman Doucet reported that a request had been received from Martin Fuel Distributors, Inc. to sublease a portion of their property to IDF; however, due to modifications in the negotiations, they also requested that they be allowed to change their request to the point that IDF will not construct any improvements. The letter further stated that Martin would like an extension for shore stabilization of a 130' section on their lease. Upon motion by Harrison J. Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Rodney J. Terrebonne, and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the sublease by Martin Fuel Distributors, Inc. to International Drilling Fluids. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President, Tomey J. Doucet, be hereby authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate the above sublease. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request by Martin Fuel Distributors, Inc. for an extension for shoreline stabilization on a 130' section of said lease premises; said extension to be one year from the date of approval of said request.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Commencing his report, Director Falgout stated that he had met with Mr. Gary Tilyu of the Wildlife & Fisheries Commission in connection with the proposes

funds for the repairs to the recreational boat launch. He stated that Mr. Tilyu had reviewed the project and the Commission should have results of the evaluation within the next month. He further stated that the donation of the boat launch property had been made by Louisiana Land & Exploration.

In connection with the bayou clean up, Director Falgout stated that approximately \$22,000 of the \$30,000 budget had been expended thus far. He further stated that the Commission had allocated another \$10,000 for major problems, such as concrete blocks, etc. Therefore, the clean up is running according to schedule.

In connection with the dredging of the Flotation Canal, Director Falgout called upon Port Engineer Larry J. Picciola who informed the Board that the survey had been finished. He had originally designed the channel to be dredged to a 100' width at the bottom to a -12' MSL; however, in figuring the quantities, dredging to this depth is above the \$100,000 budgeted for this project. Therefore, he re-figured the depth to -11' MSL, which is in line with the budget. He will now have to meet with Director Falgout to determine where the spoil will be deposited. At this stage, he is now ready to advertise for bids. Upon motion by Allen J. Danos, seconded by Roland J. Guidry and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Port Engineer Larry J. Picciola to advertise for and receive bids in connection with the "Dredging of the Flotation Canal at Port Fourchon." Board Member Cheramie inquired about placing the spoil on a levee in the vicinity that the Commission has to maintain. Director Falgout stated that the levee to be maintained is under an agreement with Louisiana Land & Exploration; however, this levee is too far inland to be reached with a bucket dredge (which will be used to dredge the Flotation Canal). Therefore, the spoil will be placed on the fringe of the canal to create a marsh which will serve as protection for that levee. Further discussion followed in connection with the need to dredge to a 100' width at the bottom of the canal. Mr. Picciola informed the Board that bids should be taken at the October meeting, and dredging should start in November.

Director Falgout informed the Board that Belle Pass Terminal intends to construct a fence inside the Commission right of way along A. J. Estay Road, and therefore, will be encroaching on this right of way. He informed the Board that the Commission will pursue all avenues necessary to maintain the right of way.

In connection with the application for dredging of Bayou Lafourche, Director Falgout informed the Board that he had received a letter from Mr. Glen Pitre, who objected to the project. Director Falgout stated that Mr. Pitre's letter is riddled with misinformation and has groundless accusations which the Commission feels are objectionable. Director Falgout stated that the Commission will respond to the letter. Director Falgout further stated that Mr. Pitre objects to the widening and deepening of the bayou, he questions the motives of the project, and stated that no attempt has been made to solicit public opinion as to the need of the project by public notice. Board Member Guidry stated that he had written a letter responding to Mr. Pitre's letter; however, he requested that Director Falgout notify the public, by this means, of the intentions behind this permit application. Director Falgout stated that the intent behind the permit is to alleviate shallow spots in the bayou and to provide the public with a cheap source of fill material, which, by them removing the material, enhances navigation in the bayou, removes the cost of dredging from the public (when a private individual dredges) and gives that individual a cheap source of fill material. Any private individual wanting to dredge will have to make his own arrangements with the contractor of his choice. If the Commission chooses to dredge a shallow spot, it shall be responsible for removing the material and the

decision of what to do with the material will be made at that time. The need for dredging originated when local shrimp shed owners and vessel owners were reporting shallow spots in the bayou, approximately three years ago. At that time, the Commission requested emergency dredging by the Corps and solicited help from the congressional delegation. The Corps has now completed cross-sections, determined that there are shallow spots and dredging is scheduled for May, 1990. The Commission felt that was too long to wait, and therefore, proceeded to obtain a blanket permit to dredge the bayou from Larose to Golden Meadow. Under this permit, any individual wishing to dredge his area can obtain permission from the Commission, provided they meet our guidelines. They can therefore dredge without incurring the long waiting period and great expense of obtaining a permit. The intention of the Commission is to spot dredge the shallow areas, not the entire bayou. Director Falgout further explained that after a landowner notifies the Commission that he wishes to dredge or a shallow spot is identified, the adjacent property owners will be notified and given the opportunity to comment to the Corps of Engineers, the State and the Commission as if this were a new permit.


President Doucet introduced Mr. Mark Brown of Paramed Systems, Inc., who presented an overview of planned services at Port Fourchon. His company provides contract paramedics, safety, health and environmental services to the oilfield industry. He will be establishing at Port Fourchon within the next few months.

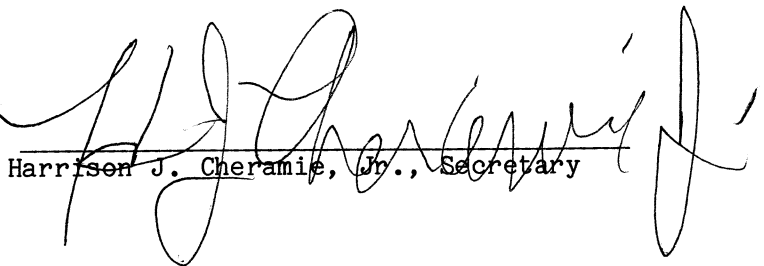
President Doucet then introduced Mr. David Krebs of Trip Seafood, who informed the Board that commercial unloading of seafood at docks is causing a problem for lessees with seafood sites and other seafood dealers on the bayou. The Board will look into the matter.

President Doucet then recognized Mr. Tommie Vizier and Mr. Louis "Chine" Guidry who are candidates for Seat C in the October election. Mr. Vizier inquired about becoming a member of the Port Fourchon Pilot's Association. Director Falgout informed Mr. Vizier that he should contact either Bobby Verret, Garrett Doucet or Alan Belize for further information.

There being no further business, upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Rodney J. Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:


Tomey J. Doucet, President


Harrison J. Cheramie, Jr., Secretary