

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 13, 1995

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, September 13, 1995, 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 Doucet called the meeting to order and requested that Secretary Cheramie call the roll:

PRESENT: Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Rodney Terrebonne, Johnny Melancon, Tomey Doucet
Robert Champagne, Donald Vizier, Dudley Bernard, Larry Griffin

ABSENT: Vinton Crosby

Also present were Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director; Davie J. Breaux, Asst. Director; John J. Plaisance, Marco Picciola and Larry J. Picciola, Port Engineers; Gerald A. Guidry, Asst. Director of Harbor Services; and Louverda Duet, Port Secretary.

President Doucet led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., seconded by Robert Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the minutes of the meeting of August 9, 1995.

EXECUTIVE:

President Doucet announced it was time to advertise for bids for reefshells, sand and other materials for the next year. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Donald Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Director Falgout to advertise for and accept bids in connection with the purchase of reefshells, sand and other materials to be tailgate spread in the port area for a period of one year.

President Doucet reported that approximately three years ago, a survey was made by the Commission to permit the bridges in the South Lafourche area to remain closed to marine traffic during peak traffic times. The Coast Guard has now announced, in the Notice to Mariners, that effective September 20, 1995 the South Lafourche and Cote Blanche bridges will remain closed to marine traffic from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM and from 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM Monday through Friday, other than federal holidays. The proper signs will be posted to notify the public. President Doucet also stated that the Committee had discussed the proposed closure of the LA 1 bridge in Larose, and recommends supporting same. Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby support the proposed closure to marine traffic of the La 1 bridge in Larose. Discussion followed in connection with another survey to be conducted in the future.

President Doucet reported that Director Falgout had been negotiating with CHEVRON in connection with a proposed agreement to allow CHEVRON excavation of material in the E-Slip, which material CHEVRON will use for pit remediation. Upon motion by Robert Champagne, seconded by Harrison Cheramie, Jr., and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the agreement to be entered into between the Commission and CHEVRON pertaining to the excavation activities at Port Fourchon. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Director Falgout to execute any and all documents in connection therewith.

President Doucet read a letter from Ted Martin addressed to the Fire District in connection with the dissatisfaction of the Fire District's handling of a fire at his facility at Port Fourchon. In his letter Mr. Martin stated problems with the fire truck and improper fittings on the fire hose. President Doucet then called upon Mr. Larry Raymond, Administrator of the Fire District, who stated that he spoke to Mr. Martin about the matter. He informed Mr. Martin that he spoke to Dudley Fremin, who responded to the fire, and was advised that there were problems with the truck; however, the proper fittings were used on the fire hose. Mr. Raymond stated that a problem does exist at the Port because of a lack of volunteers and/or properly trained volunteers. The District volunteers are trained in residential fires, not in fires dealing with chemicals, etc. He further stated that the District will train fire fighters if a system can be worked out at the Port to get the companies to allow employees to respond to fires. Discussion followed.

LEGAL, PERMITS & WATERWAYS:

Upon motion by Robert Champagne, seconded by Larry Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve sending letters of no objection to the following applicants:

Dow Hydrocarbon Resources, Inc.
Lafourche Parish Council
Lafourche Parish Council
CHEVRON USA
Shell Pipeline Corporation

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT:

Chairman Bernard stated that a request had been received from Newpark Environmental Services to lease property at the Port. Director Falgout explained that they were presently leasing from Martin Fuel; however, they want to move their facility to the E-Slip. Upon motion by Dudley Bernard, seconded by Robert Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize President Doucet to execute a surface lease in connection therewith.

Chairman Bernard stated that Edison Chouest Offshore was interested in leasing and called upon Director Falgout, who stated that they were interested in a site at the Multi-Use Dock Extension. The Committee recommends authorizing Director Falgout to negotiate with them a first right of refusal agreement similar to that which was negotiated with Martin Terminal. Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Donald Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize Director Falgout to negotiate with Edison Chouest Offshore (or a related company) a first right of refusal agreement to lease a site at the Multi-Use Dock Extension facility.

FINANCE:

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize payment of the invoices received the previous month.

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the financial report for August , 1995.

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Robert Champagne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize payment of Revised Request #3 from Stranco, Inc. in the amount of \$53,963.52.

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize payment of Request #4 from Stranco, Inc. in the amount of \$204,637.03.

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Larry J. Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize payment of the invoice from Plaisance Dragline & Dredging Company in the amount of \$167,469.75.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Director Falgout called upon the project engineers for the following reports:

WAREHOUSE FACILITY - Mr. John Plaisance stated that the contractor had poured most of the concrete slab foundation and the work was progressing on schedule.

MULTI-USE DOCK EXTENSION/PHASE I - Mr. Marco Picciola stated that the contractor started work during last month on the concrete tie back system. The work is progressing on schedule.

E-SLIP BULKHEAD EXTENSION - Mr. Larry Picciola stated that bids were opened last week. The low bidder was Team Services, Inc. with a bid of \$778,895.00 and he recommends accepting the low bid. Director Falgout questioned Mr. Picciola on the bids since the engineers estimate on this project was \$600,000.00. Mr. Picciola stated that the increased cost of materials caused the

bids to be higher than the estimate. Upon motion by Robert Champagne, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the low bid by Team Services, Inc. in the amount of \$778,895.00 in connection with the " E-Slip Bulkhead Extension Project.

Director Falgout informed the Board that the Commission had submitted an application to AAPA for an environmental award. He has been informed that the Commission won for its bayou restoration and clean up efforts. The award, the American Association of Port Authorities Environmental Enhancement Award, will be presented to the Commission at the annual AAPA meeting in New Orleans next month. Director Falgout and the Board will be present to accept same.

OTHER BUSINESS:

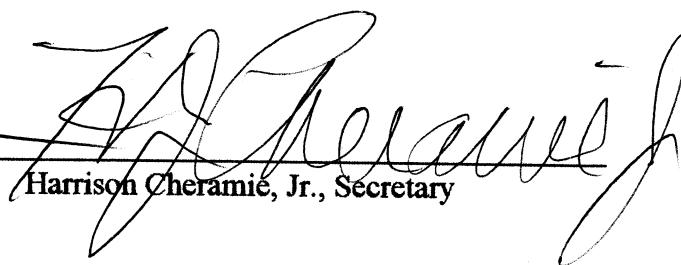
President Doucet introduced Mr. John Plaisance and Mr. Richard Buquet, candidates for Senator, who addressed the Board.

President Doucet then recognized Mr. Calvin "Fox" Cheramie who stated that he is pleased that something was being done to remedy the existing situation of abandoned wells near the Leeville bridge.

There being no other business, upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board adjourned.

ATTEST:


Tomey J. Doucet, President


Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Secretary