

AGENDA
September 8, 1999

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of minutes of August 11, 1999
- V. Executive Director's Report
 - A. E-Slip Expansion Updates
 - 1. 2nd Leg
 - 2. 3rd Leg
 - B. Fourchon Bridge
 - C. Northern Expansion Update
 - D. FEMA Damage Repairs
 - 1. Stone Jetties
 - 2. Offshore Breakwaters
 - 3. Belle Pass Dredging
 - E. Highway Improvements
 - F. OCS Revenue Sharing Update
 - G. Golden Meadow Seawall
- VI. Committee Reports:
 - A. Executive:
 - 1. Landowner negotiations on Northern Expansion
 - 2. Request for substantial completion on Phase I- Leg III - E-Slip Development
 - 3. Port Master Plan
 - 4. Americorps Requests
 - B. Legal, Permits, & Waterways:
 - 1. Letter of No Objection
 - 1. Chevron Pipeline Company
 - 2. Rip Rap Flotation Canal
 - C. Construction & Development
 - 1. Request from BYU - 40 site campground
 - 2. Request from Newpark Resources, Inc. to amend sublease with Production Management Company
 - 3. Request from PMI to sublease to Newpark
 - 4. Request from Deepwater Port to sublease to Nature's Ultimate Systems, Inc.
 - 5. Breakwaters
 - 6. Award bids for Phase II & III of Leg III - E-Slip Development
 - D. Finance:
 - 1. Approval of Invoices and recognize following expenditures of over \$10,000:

1.	J. Wayne Plaisance, Inc.	\$ 25,625.00
2.	Picciola & Associates, Inc.	\$ 52,011.82
3.	Johnson Brothers	\$116,969.65
4.	LeBro Construction	\$ 30,875.00
5.	C.E.C., Inc.	\$336,253.50
6.	Johnny F. Smith Truck	\$399,168.15
 - 2. Finance Report
 - E. Personnel:
 - 1. Robert Champagne St.
- VII. Any other business
- VIII. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
September 8, 1999

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 Wednesday, September 8, 1999 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 prescribed by law.

In the absence of President Crosby, Vice President Bernard called the meeting to order and requested that Board Member Terrebonne call the roll.

PRESENT: Rodney Terrebonne, Johnny Melancon, Ervin Bruce, Donald Vizier, and Dudley Bernard

ABSENT: Vinton Crosby, Wilbert Collins, Sr., Larry Griffin and Harrison Cheramie, Jr.

Also present were Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director; Davie J. Breaux, Assistant Director; Loulan Pitre, Port Attorney; Marco Picciola, Larry Picciola and John Plaisance, Port Engineers; and Cindy F. Dufrene, Port Secretary.

Vice President Bernard led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the minutes of the August 11, 1999 Board Meeting was approved.

Vice President Bernard then called upon Executive Director Ted Falgout for his report.

Board Member Wilbert Collins, Sr., entered the meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Director Falgout called upon project engineer Larry Picciola for his report on the E-Slip Bulkhead Extension 2nd Leg. Mr. Picciola reported that the second diver who was hired to inspect the bulkhead for damage found an additional 8 holes, making a total of 24 holes which need to be addressed. He met with committee last week and discussed several methods of repair. Weeks Marine's response to these plans was not favorable, so he is meeting with Attorney Pitre tomorrow to draft and send a registered letter out to Weeks Marine advising them to come up with solutions to the problem. Discussion followed. Director Falgout asked about L. L. & G. Mr. Picciola advises L. L. & G. Construction is in the lien period.

In connection with Leg III, E-Slip Expansion, Phase I, Director Falgout called upon project engineer Marco Picciola for his report. Mr. Picciola reported that this project has finished ahead of schedule. Final inspection was made on August 30, 1999 and it is his recommendation that this project be accepted as of the date of inspection and that the Commission accept the Certificate of Substantial Completion. Mr. Falgout stated the Executive Committee will address the Certificate of Substantial

Completion in their report. Discussion followed.

In reference to the Leg III - E-Slip Expansion, Phase II, Mr. Picciola reported that bids were opened September 2, 1999. A total of 12 bids were received on this project. After reviewing all the bids, it is his recommendation that this project be awarded to the low bidder, Lowland Construction Co., in the amount of \$3,519,793.98. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby award Leg III - E-Slip Expansion, Phase II project to the low bidder, Lowland Construction Co., in the amount of \$3,519,793.98 and adopt the following DOTD resolution as follows:

STATE PROJECT NO. 578-29-0011
PARISH OF LAFOURCHE

WHEREAS, the Greater Lafourche Port Commission has solicited bids for State Project NO. 578-29-0009 in accordance with the current bid laws of the State of Louisiana, including, but not limited to R.S. 38:2211 et. sec; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Lafourche Port Commission has submitted to DOTD certification of proof of publication, one (1) copy of the bid proposals and bid bonds as submitted by each of the (3) lowest bidders, a legible copy of the bid tabulation of all bids received, and certified to be correct by the Engineer and an authorized official of the Sponsor, a copy of the engineers recommendation, contract documents, Notice of award of Contract, and a copy of the recordation data in the Clerk of Courts office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Greater Lafourche Port Commission in regular session, assembled on this 8th day of September, 1999, does hereby certify that the bidding procedures, including advertising and award, for State Project No. 578-29-0009 conform to the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statutes 38.2211, et. seq.

In reference to Leg III - E-Slip Expansion, Phase III - Mr. Picciola reported that bids were received September 2, 1999. This project was broken down into Parts 1,2, and 3 and Alternates A, B, and C. After reviewing all the bids and having discussions with Port management, it is his recommendation that Parts 1,2, 3 of this project be awarded to the low bidder, Mike Hooks, Inc., in the amount of \$1,630,900. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Donald Vizier, and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize awarding Leg III - E-Slip Expansion, Phase III project, Parts 1,2, and 3 to the low bidder, Mike Hooks, Inc. in the amount of \$1,630,900 and adopt the following DOTD resolution:

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In reference to the Fourchon Bridge Repair, Director Falgout called upon project engineer Mike Badeaux for his report. Mr. Badeaux reported that the work on the bridge is progressing well. They have been able to keep the bridge open to vehicle traffic while working on the concrete repairs. The bridge will be closed beginning September 13 for a period of two weeks for both vehicle traffic and vessel traffic. After that time, the bridge can be open for vessel traffic with a two day notice. The bridge will be closed for vehicle traffic for a period of 5 weeks.

In reference to the Northern Expansion, Director Falgout reported he has been corresponding with Burlington Resources and feels they will wind up negotiations with them within the next couple of weeks. The Executive Committee has reviewed the latest negotiations with Wisner and will have a recommendation to the Commissioners in the Executive Committee report.

In connection with the Breakwater Repairs & Jetty Repairs, Director Falgout called upon project engineer Marco Picciola for his report. Mr. Picciola reported the contractor has completed 51% of the work with only 16% of time elapsed. They completed all placements of stone on Jetty System, retrieved all stones along the base of the existing jetties, and placed stone on all five of the breakwaters. The contractor has gone on to another job but will return to finish the project once the a-jacks have been constructed. The sub-contractor constructing the a-jacks is experiencing problems with cracks in the center of the a-jacks. They want to alter the design of the a-jacks by placing re-enforced re-bar for additional strength. Mr. Picciola has been meeting with the sub-contractors and is not in a position right now to say what the total outcome would be. Discussion followed. Mr. Picciola stated that he presented a change order to the sub-contractor stating that once he considers the re-designed a-jacks as acceptable, they would provide only two barges of the re-designed a-jacks instead of seven. If they insist on providing the seven barges, they are to have a substantial incumbent provide a one year warranty on the construction of the a-jacks. Discussion followed.

In reference to the FEMA Project, Belle Pass Dredging, Director Falgout stated that Project Engineer, John Plaisance, is still waiting for the pipelines to be moved before he can begin this project. Chevron's permit to bore to 75 ft. was denied. They had to re-design their application to better show the acreage they were going to impact. This will take another 30 days for approval. Chevron is now re-considering boring down to 35 ft. which is all the Corps requires for a design channel of 27 ft.

In reference to the shoulder overlay on LA 1, Mr. Falgout reported that bids will be opened October 6 and will be awarded at the next board meeting. Construction should begin sometime in November or December, which would coincide with the highway overlay in Grand Isle.

In connection with the Environmental Impact Statement for the section of highway from Golden Meadow to Port Fourchon, Mr. Falgout reported that the Federal Highway Administration and DOTD have finished negotiations with the contractor, Michael Baker, Jr. in doing the EIS. There should be no more delays and the EIS should start moving along.

In reference to the Feasibility Study, from Larose to U.S. Highway 90, Director Falgout stated there was a public hearing held by DOTD on this study. Two basic alternate routes were discussed, up the Bayou Lafourche Ridge and taking the LA 24 Route to Highway 90.

In reference to OCS Revenue Sharing, Director Falgout reported September 15th is the date this bill will be heard in Congress on the House side.

In reference to the Golden Meadow seawall, Director Falgout reported pictures had been taken of the sites identified by town engineer, Marco Picciola, and these sites will be inspected during the winter months when the tides are low. Mr. Falgout asked Mr. Picciola if the town looked into potential funding for this project. Mr. Picciola reported there is no funding mechanism in place right now. Mayor Miller has sent a letter to DOTD and the entire Louisiana delegation requesting that DOTD look into this matter, since they built the seawall and the state owns it.

Mr. Falgout reported that the Commission's trash dumpster in Galliano caught fire a couple of weeks ago and scorched the siding of the Catholic Community Service's building. The Commission had been waiting for an insurance adjuster to appraise the damage. We have been informed today by the insurance company that an appraisal will not be necessary. The Commission had received quotes for the repairs and have notified the lowest bidder, RAI Construction, to do the repairs. They will be here this afternoon.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Vinton Crosby, Chairman
Dudley Bernard, Member
Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Member
Donald Vizier, Member

In the absence of President Crosby, Executive Director Falgout proceeded with the Executive Committee's report.

Director Falgout stated the Committee met yesterday and reviewed the landowner negotiations from the Wisner Advisory Committee in regard to the Northern Expansion. They went into Executive Session to discuss legal issues. The Committee's recommendation is to authorize President Crosby to execute the negotiated lease and related instruments with the Wisner Advisory Committee in reference to the Northern Expansion. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Rodney

Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize President Crosby to execute negotiated lease and related instruments with the Wisner Advisory Committee in reference to the Northern Expansion.

Director Falgout stated the Committee addressed the substantial completion request from Picciola & Associates, Inc. on Leg-III E-Slip Expansion, Phase I. He stated it is the committee's recommendation to accept substantial completion. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept Picciola & Associates, Inc. request for substantial completion on Leg III E-Slip Expansion, Phase I.

Director Falgout reported he had advised the Executive Committee of an opportunity to receive federal assistance in developing the Commission's master plan for the port. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has funding available in a program called the Sustainable Development Challenge Grant, which it is an 80%/20% match. He spoke with South Central Planning & Development Commission and they are interested in assisting the Commission in obtaining funding from this grant. The Executive Committee has agreed to pursue this effort. A rough estimate of the amount to be requested is somewhere between \$220,000 to \$230,000, which the Commission would match by 20%.

Mr. Falgout reported that at the last board meeting, Ms. Peggy Bagala of La Reflection Du Bayou requested assistance from the Commission in funding the Americorp Project. This would involve the sponsoring of a student for a year to work on coastal restoration projects and planting along the bayou side, things this Commission has been involved in for a long time. The cost of sponsoring one student is \$2,800. Director Falgout requested the Commission authorize sending \$2,800 to the Americorp Project to sponsor one of the ten positions for this project. Attorney Pitre also requested the motion also authorize President Crosby to sign a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement detailing the contributions and benefits to both parties. Upon motion by Ervin Bruce, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize request for assistance in funding the Americorp Project in the amount of \$2,800, sponsoring one student for a year, and to authorize President Crosby to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement relating to the funding.

LEGAL PERMITS & WATERWAYS:

Larry Griffin, Chairman
Wilbert Collins, Sr., Member
Ervin Bruce, Member

In the absence of Chairman Griffin, Director Falgout presented the following letter of no objections:

Chevron Pipeline Company

Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the above letter of no objection.

In reference to the Rip Rap of the Flotation Canal, Director Falgout reported that as stated in the settlement agreement with the Caillouet Land Corp, the Commission must rip rap the northern and southern entrances to the Flotation Canal where it crosses their property. The southern portion has to be done within two years of the agreement, which will end this October. The permit is in hand and he is putting together the necessary documents to either solicit bids or to use the existing rip rap contract with Cajun Trucking, Inc. He has been in touch with the Caillouet Land Corp. and they are aware of the status of the work.

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT:

Dudley Bernard, Chairman
Rodney Terrebonne, Member
Larry Griffin, Member

Board Member Terrebonne stated the Committee received a request from BYU at the last board meeting for a 40-site campground. Director Falgout stated the request was denied at the last meeting for further review by the Construction Committee. BYU has provided documents requested by the Committee and after review conclude that this area is an industrial area and not a proper site for a recreational development. The Committee recommends the Board deny the request from BYU. Mr. Falgout stated that he was notified by BYU that if the Commission denied the request for the campground, then the car wash and the washateria would not be built. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Wilbert Collins, Sr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby deny the request from BYU for the 40-site campground.

Board Member Terrebonne stated the Committee received a request from Newpark Resources, Inc. to amend sublease with Production Management Company. Upon motion by Rodney Terrebonne, seconded by Ervin Bruce and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve request from Newpark Environmental to amend sublease with Production Management Company.

Board Member Terrebonne stated the Committee received a request from Production Management, Inc. to enter into a sublease with Newpark Environmental Management, Inc. Upon motion by Rodney Terrebonne, seconded by Donald Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request from Production Management, Inc. to enter into a sublease with Newpark Environmental Management, Inc.

Board Member Terrebonne stated the Committee received a request from Deepwater Port Services, Inc. to enter into a sublease with Nature's Ultimate Systems, Inc. Upon motion by Rodney Terrebonne, seconded by Donald Vizier and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the request from Deepwater Port Services, Inc. to enter into a sublease with Nature's Ultimate Systems, Inc.

Director Falgout stated since the Commission has approved requests made by Production Management, Inc. and Newpark Environmental Management, Inc., that Newpark further requests the leasing of 16th St. from their property line to the end of the street making it part of their facility. The Commission has no problem with this request on condition all the companies located along the street,

(C-Port, LLC, PMI, and Newpark), submit a letter stating if they would vacate their site or change parts of it that the Commission would have the option to obtain the street back in case access would need to be provided to another company who may locate there. The Commission is waiting for these letters. Mr. Falgout requested, if it is the Commission's will, they authorize leasing the property as described, once all the letters are presented. Upon motion by Rodney Terrebonne, seconded by Ervin Bruce and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve entering into a lease agreement with Newpark Environmental Management, Inc. to lease 16th St. from their property line to the end of the street to be a part of their facility, once all letters of agreement are presented to the Commission.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Donald Vizier, Chairman
Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Member
Johnny Melancon, Member

Chairman Donald Vizier presented the invoices for August, 1999 and the expenditures over \$10,000 for approval. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Wilbert Collins, Sr., and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the invoices for August, 1999 and recognizes the following expenditures over \$10,000:

1.	J. Wayne Plaisance, Inc.	\$ 25,625.00
2.	Picciola & Associates, Inc.	\$ 52,011.82
3.	Johnson Brothers	\$116,969.65
4.	LeBro Construction	\$ 30,875.00
5.	C.E.C., Inc.	\$336,253.50
6.	Johnny F. Smith Trucking & Dragline, Inc.	\$399,168.15

Chairman Vizier presented the Financial Report for August, 1999. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Johnny Melancon, and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the Financial Report for August, 1999.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:


Johnny Melancon, Chairman
Rodney Terrebonne, Member
Ervin Bruce, Member

Chairman Melancon presented a request to name the access road off of Highway 3090 to C-Port, III Robert Champagne St., in memory of Robert Champagne, Sr. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Wilbert Collins, Sr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize request to name the access road off of Highway 3090 to C-Port, III, Robert Champagne St., in memory of Robert Champagne, Sr.

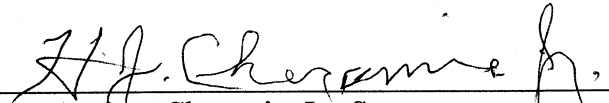
ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Rodney Terrebonne and unanimously passed, the Board Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:



Dudley Bernard, Vice President



Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Secretary