

AGENDA
JANUARY 8, 2003

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consider December 11, 2002 Regular Meeting Minutes for approval
- V. Executive Director's Report
 - A. **Northern Expansion Update**
 - a. Construction status:
 - i. East Bulkhead – John Plaisance
 - ii. East Dredging – John Plaisance
 - iii. Slip B, West Bulkhead – Larry Picciola
 - B. **Airport Update**
 - a. Project status:
 - i. Master Plan
 - C. **Port Administration Office**
 - D. **Highway Improvements**
- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. **Executive Committee**
 - a. Consider authorizing Director Falgout to execute Sponsor-State Agreements with DOTD for Non-Directional Beacon
 - b. Consider approving low bid of Breaux Petroleum for supplying fuel to Galliano and Fourchon
 - c. GLPC/Civil Service
 - B. **Permits & Waterways Committee**
 - a. Letters of No Objection
 - i. Ascent Energy, Inc.
 - ii. Tennessee Gas Pipeline
 - C. **Construction and Development Committee**
 - D. **Finance Committee**
 - a. Consider payment of invoices and recognize Expenditures over \$10,000
 - b. Consider approving December 2002 Financial Statement
- VII. Public Comment
- VIII. Any other business
- IX. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
January 8, 2003

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, January 8, 2003 at 10:30 AM.

President Melancon called the meeting to order and requested that Secretary Collins call the roll.

PRESENT: John Melancon, Donald Vizier, Wilbert Collins, Larry Griffin, Harry Cheramie, Chuckie Cheramie, Jimmy Lafont, and Beau Martin

ABSENT: Ervin Bruce

Upon motion by Chuckie Cheramie and second by Donald Vizier, the minutes of the December 11, 2002, regular meeting were unanimously approved.

President Melancon veered from the agenda to introduce newly-elected D.A. of Lafourche Parish, Mr. Cam Morvant, who addressed the board and the audience.

Executive Director's Report

Northern Expansion – Project Engineer John Plaisance reported that the Contractor is still working well on the East Bulkhead and looks like he will finish within his contract time; the plans for the East Dredging will be ready by the end of the month for review by DOTD. Project engineer Larry Picciola reported that we are waiting for lease proposals on January 15th to complete the design of the 1st section of Part C bulkhead.

Airport – Director Falgout reported that on December 30th, gcr presented the recommendations of the Master Plan, which include strengthening, widening, and extending the runway to 6,500' x 100' wide and making other site improvements. We anticipate having a final written document by the end of January.

Port Administration Office – Director Falgout reported that bids will be opened on January 16th.

Highway Improvements – Director Falgout reported that Wilbur Smith & Associates is the firm selected by DOTD to complete preliminary engineering on the elevated 4-lane from Golden Meadow to Fourchon. That firm is also conducting the 2nd phase of the toll road study. He also reported that the Corps of Engineers presented the findings of the study of a 50-foot channel at Port Fourchon, which study concluded that the cost to build the channel is \$74,800,000 and to maintain it is \$9,300,000 per year. He also reported that MMS has issued a report that provides a relationship between impacts of the oil and gas industry (# of wells drilled, # of leases issued) and how this activity will impact tonnage, truck traffic, water usage, and fuel needs in the port.

Committee Reports

Executive – Chairman John Melancon reported that the committee met on December 30, 2002, at the Operations Center in Fourchon and on January 6, 2003 at the Administration Building in Galliano. John Melancon, Larry Griffin, Wilbert Collins, and Donald Vizier were present; no member was absent. The Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the Committee meetings.

President Melancon presented for the board's approval a resolution authorizing Director Falgout to execute a Sponsor-State Agreement with LA DOTD-Aviation for reimbursement up to \$10,000 for acquisition and installation of an NDB at SLLMA. Upon motion by Harry Cheramie and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the resolution.

President Melancon presented for the board's review the bids for supplying Mid-Grade (89) Unleaded gasoline to the GLPC offices in Fourchon and Galliano for one year. Breaux Petroleum Products was low bidder with \$1.12461 for Galliano and \$1.14461 to Fourchon. Upon motion by Larry Griffin and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the low bid.

President Melancon presented for the board's review a resolution authorizing Director Falgout to prepare and implement a plan for a transition by the Commission out of the State Civil Service, provided that such plan takes into account the rights of existing employees who have participated in the state Civil Service, and further authorizing the Director to discuss the matter with the State Civil Service Commission and to consider seeking appropriate legislation. Upon motion by Larry Griffin and second by Jimmy Lafont, the board unanimously approved this resolution.

Permits & Waterways – Chairman Jimmy Lafont reported that the committee met on December 30, 2002, at the Operations Center in Fourchon and on January 6, 2003 at the Administration Building in Galliano. Jimmy Lafont, Beau Martin, and Wilbert Collins were present; no member was absent. The Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the committee meetings.

Upon motion by Chairman Lafont and second by Larry Griffin, the Commission unanimously agreed to issue a letter of no objection to Tennessee Gas Pipeline and Ascent Energy.

Construction & Development – President Melancon reported that the committee met on December 30, 2002, at the Operations Center in Fourchon and on January 6, 2003 at the Administration Building in Galliano. Chuckie Cheramie and Donald Vizier were present; Ervin Bruce was absent. There being no business to discuss, the committee had nothing to report.

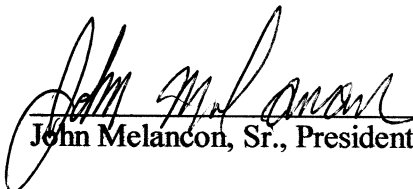
Finance – Chairman Larry Griffin reported that the committee met on December 30, 2002 at the Operations Center in Fourchon and on January 6, 2003 at the Administration Building in Galliano. Larry Griffin and Donald Vizier were present; Harry Cheramie was absent. The Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the committee meetings.

Upon motion by Chairman Griffin and second by Jimmy Lafont, the invoices for the month were unanimously approved for payment.

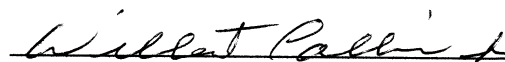
Upon motion by Chairman Griffin and second by Wilbert Collins, the December 2002 Financial Statement was unanimously approved.

Upon motion by Larry Griffin and second by Beau Martin, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:



John Melancon, Sr., President



Wilbert Collins, Sr., Secretary