

AGENDA
March 10, 2011 at 10:30 AM
(Revised 3/7/11 at 5:00 PM)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consider approval of minutes for February 9, 2011 regular meeting
- V. Executive Director's Report
 - A. Northern Expansion**
 - 1) Slip B 1100 LF Dredging & Flotation Canal (Angelette-Picciola)
 - 2) Slip C Bucket Dredge (Angelette-Picciola)
 - 3) Slip B Adam "Ted" Gisclair Roadway, Phase I(Picciola & Associates)
 - 4) Slip B 1871 LF Bulkhead (Picciola & Associates)
 - B. Airport Projects**
 - 1) Perimeter Fencing
 - 2) Taxilane Connector
 - C. FEMA Projects** – Flotation Canal Shoreline Protection
 - D. Port Security and Grant Projects**
 - 1) Communication Tower and Foundation (2007)
 - 2) Telecommunication Infrastructure Project (2007)
 - 3) Phase II MDA Camera networking improvements (2008)
 - 4) Multi-Agency Emergency Response/Operations Building (2009)
 - 5) LOOP Vessel Thermal Imaging Project (2009)
 - 6) Command, Control Communications for Multi-Agency Building (2010)
 - 7) Laf. Parish Sheriff Office All Hazards Emergency Response Trailer (2010)
 - 8) Wildlife & Fisheries Patrol Vessel (2010)
 - 9) TWIC Implementation (2011)
 - E. Other Port Projects**
 - 1) Martin Terminal Slip #1 Repairs
 - 2) N.J. Theriot Road Culvert Replacement
 - 3) Boat Lift Extensions
 - 4) Nerby Collins Marina Steel Bulkhead Repair
 - F. LA 1 Highway Improvements**
 - G. Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill**
- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee**
 - 1) Consider amending leases GLF619 Clean Tank and GLF620 SURF Subsea regarding improvement rent and commencement
 - 2) Consider advertising for yearly summer employees
 - 3) Consider amending LOOP lease at the Airport
 - B. Permits & Waterways Committee**
 - 1. Review permit applications from Apache Corporation; Plains Pipeline, LP; Lonies A. Mayeux, Jr.; Bayou Side, LLC; Chevron USA; and Global Geophysical Services, Inc.
 - C. Construction & Development Committee**
 - 1) Consider awarding the lowest responsive bid for Slip C Bucket Dredging project
 - 2) Consider approving the contract for the LOOP Vessel Thermal Imaging Project
 - 3) Consider approving the contract for the Laf. Parish Sheriff Office All Hazards Emergency Response Trailer
 - 4) Consider approving the contract for the Wildlife & Fisheries Patrol Vessel
 - 5) Consider approving Change Order from Mike Hooks for the Slip B 1100 LF Dredging & Flotation Canal
 - 6) Consider approving Substantial Completion Certificate from Mike Hooks for the Slip B 1100 LF Dredging & Flotation Canal
 - 7) Consider approving Change Order from Adesta for Tower project
 - D. Finance Committee**
 - 1) Consider payment of February invoices and recognize expenditures over \$10,000
 - 2) Consider out of state travel request
- VII. Any other business
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
March 10, 2011

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Thursday, March 10, 2011 at 10:30AM.

President Griffin called the meeting to order and Collins called roll.

ATTENDED: Chuckie Cheramie, Jimmy Lafont, Donald Vizier, Wilbert Collins, Larry Griffin, John Melancon Jr., Jimmy Guidry, and Ervin Bruce

ABSENT: Perry Gisclair

Upon motion by Wilbert Collins and second by Ervin Bruce, the board unanimously approved the minutes for February 9, 2011 regular meeting.

Executive Director's Report

Northern Expansion – Engineer Larry Picciola reported that the Slip B 1100 LF Dredging & Flotation Canal project is complete. The substantial completion certificate and a deduct change order is on the agenda today for approval. The problems with the shells and the contract time slow down have not been addressed yet with the contractor. We will meet with the contractor to come up with a reasonable solution. Lafont stated that the dredge can do shells and questioned why the slowdown, which Picciola replied that some shells would have been fine but because of the thickness and heaviness of the shells it blocked some lines that were going to the mitigation area. There was 3,200 ft. of solid shells that had to be freed up. Lafont questioned if it was included in the bid; which Picciola replied no. Chiasson stated that the shells were approx. 8 to 10 ft. below the mud line. Picciola stated that this was the first time in Fourchon that this happened. There will be some increase in cost but they were able to continue work.

Engineer Larry Picciola reported that bids were received on Monday at 2PM for Slip C Bucket Dredge. The low bidder was Berry Bros from Morgan City in the amount of \$999,032. He recommends awarding the bid. We will also need concurrence by DOTD before contracts are sent out. He estimates 800,000 cubic yards to dredge however if the dredge can do more we will which will depend on how the material stacks up.

Engineer Joe Picciola reported that the contractor has been progressing well for the Adam “Ted” Gisclair Roadway project. The contractor has approximately 400’ remaining to complete the aggregate roadway. With good weather, the contractor should be complete in a few weeks.

Engineer Joe Picciola reported that the contractor is on site for Slip B 1871 LF Bulkhead project. They started the access roadway and were close to putting limestone before the rain hit. He stated as soon as it dries out they will place limestone. They also brought in a crane and started driving timber test piles. The geotechnical firm is on site doing the pile testing.

Airport Projects – Chiasson reported that all the punch list items are complete for the Perimeter Fencing. The final inspection is scheduled for March 16th. The final inspection for the Taxilane Connector project is also scheduled on March 16th at which time they will develop a punch list of items to complete. The operations at the Airport from February is 450 which is take offs and landings. Good numbers for the utilization of the airport.

FEMA Projects – Engineer Larry Picciola reported that at the preconstruction meeting for the Flotation Canal Shoreline Protection project the notice to proceed was issued. The contractor is inspecting the location this afternoon and plans to start immediately. They will start with the fish dips.

Port Security and Grant Projects – Engineer Shawn Keller reported that the contractor has rectified all discrepancies for the Communication Tower and Foundation project. The next inspection will be March 16th and if all goes well we will conduct a final inspection of the project. April Danos reported that there is a deduct change order on the agenda for the tower inspection cost. Danos stated that the full notice to

proceed was issued to Ernest P. Breaux for the Telecommunication Infrastructure project for March 28th. She stated that we are gathering cost to refurbish the two communications buildings with experts giving advice for the wind load capacity. Regarding Phase II MDA Camera networking improvements, we expect delivery of more equipment by next week. Danos will be corresponding with tenants in the next few weeks to create Memorandums of Understanding regarding electrical and camera equipment that will be placed on the tower. We will also be sending out an RFP for video management and a RFP for video analytics.

The Port received the Architects special needs analysis for the Multi-Agency Emergency Response/Operations Building which we are reviewing. The LOOP Vessel Thermal Imaging project is a Port Security funded project that flows through the Port Commission since we are the fiduciary agent. We will maintain the documents and have a flow thru process for grant funds. The Lafourche Parish Sheriff Office All Hazards Emergency Response Trailer and the Wildlife & Fisheries Patrol Vessel are also Port Security funded which will flow thru the Port. The Command & Control Communications for Multi-Agency Building is the approved equipment that will go into the building. Regarding the TWIC Implementation update, the Port met with tenants of Part 105 facilities on March 3rd. We will begin preparing the needed documentation for possible funding.

Chiasson reported that there was an article that showed a request for \$300 million of Port Security funding however in the preliminary budget it only had \$100 million. Senator Mary Landrieu is working to increase the budget. He stated that in the past we received \$3 million, and in 2010 the funds were cut to \$1.4 million. He stated that if it goes from to \$300 million to \$100 million we are looking at less than \$1 million of Port Security funding which will be difficult to complete the projects we have. Danos stated that the tenants were told that if there is no funding for this year we may purchase hand held TWIC readers for the officers to use rather than implementing a Port-wide TWIC program.

Other Port Projects – Engineer Larry Picciola reported that the notice to proceed for the Martin Bulkhead Repairs has been issued for next Wednesday. The contractor started to order the steel sheet piles. He stated that with this project the contractor will have to first install the sheets because of the design, normally they would begin with deadman. The contractor for the N.J. Theriot Road Culvert Replacement will be in on March 28th to complete the work which should take a few days. Engineer John Plaisance reported that the contractor for the Boat Lift Extensions has driven the piles for the boatshed framing and ready to put on the roof. They are making good progress and should be finished on time. Engineer Plaisance reported that the low bidder Kostmayer for the Nerby Collins Marina Steel Bulkhead Repair project is on hold due to the lawsuit hearing next week.

LA 1 Highway Improvements - Mr. Henri Boulet, reported that as of February 28th Phase 1A between Port Fourchon and Leeville was 82% complete with 84% of time elapsed. Concerning operations of the Open Road Tolling System, the Coalition has met with the Secretary of Transportation to request that the DOTD provide “loss toll revenue deposits” to the toll fund to make up for the 29% of loss revenues that the system is not collecting. That request is under consideration with the Secretary and Undersecretary for Finances. As well, the Coalition has encouraged DOTD to proceed with a claim to the \$1 billion OPA fund, rather than to \$20 billion fund administered by Mr. Feinberg, for what we view will be future loss toll revenues due to the administration taking the “Opening of the Eastern Gulf” off of the table after the spill. I will keep you updated on these developments as I monitor them with DOTD, and provide DOTD all the assistance I can on these issues.

Moving on to Phase II, the Coalition, along with Davie Breaux from the port, attended an LA 1 Project Implementation Team meeting at which the Coalition asked DOTD to break up the Phase II Project. The Implementation Team has recommended to the DOTD Secretary and the DOTD Project Steering Committee that the, now \$285 million project, be broken down into Phase II Segments A, B and C, respectively costing \$40 million, \$200 million, and \$45 million. I have provided all of you a map of these segments, with the three segments in different color codes. Furthermore, they recommended Segment A as the first priority for funding, because completing the project leg from the 4-lane in Golden Meadow to the outside of the levee system would give the Segment B’s end-on construction the most

cost effective launching site. Concerning funding for the \$40 million Segment A, the Coalition is meeting with the Governor's Office to support DOTD's current \$33 million request to the Capital Outlay Program that would be utilized toward this segment. I am continuing efforts to secure some matching federal funds. The Homeland Security/NIMSAT Institute co-authored LA 1 Consequence Analysis which will estimate a loss-revenue cost to the federal treasury with a loss of this highway will likely be the best mechanism we can use to get matching funds for this segment. The analysis is now under review at USDHS, and will be going to a third party review at another federal agency for concurrence before it can be released.

Aside from this, DOTD continues to work on Revisions to the Limited Preliminary Plans for Phase II in light of changes needed for the relocated Bollinger Canal. Encouragingly, they have received agreement from ConocoPhillips on the new Bollinger Canal Location.

On other significant highway projects in the area, I can report that as of February 14th, the new Bayou Lafourche Lift-Span Bridge at Larose is 41% complete, the Prospect Street Bridge in Houma is 30% complete, and the Caminada Bay Bridge is 44% complete.

Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill - Chiasson reported that there are currently 186 people on the beach with 171 of them working in the hot zone areas. There are 32 people working water ops. No waste was recovered yesterday due to weather. As weather and tides come in there continues to be more tar mats uncovered which we expect. It is my understanding that we can expect a presence from the contractors that are working for BP until mid May or June and afterward there will be a presence as oil is found to be cleaned up. We continue to submit and receive reimbursements from BP for increased cost of operations mainly for Harbor Police security to date over \$550,000. As of March, there is over \$2.3 million of Port loss revenues. With that being said, Chiasson will be testifying at the House Natural Resources Committee on March 16th to discuss the Obama Administrations' de-facto-moratorium in the gulf and pointing out community and economic impacts. Chiasson will focus on the importance of Port Fourchon to the nation, the lack of permits and the impacts to this area, discuss loss of revenues, and how the government is responsible for loss revenues. Collins questioned if the rig that is drilling in deepwater is being serviced by Port Fourchon, which Chiasson replied yes. Just about every permit issued for deepwater will be serviced out of Port Fourchon. Chiasson stated that we had discussions on how to pursue getting back loss revenues, with our representatives from DC which they suggest that we pursue the OPA 90 fund which is what we will do.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee - The committee met on February 23, 2011 at the Operations Building in Fourchon. Present was Larry Griffin, Jimmy Lafont, Wilbert Collins, and Perry Gisclair. The committee also met on March 7, 2011 at the Administration Building in Galliano with all members present.

Upon motion by Chuckie Cheramie and second by John Melancon, Jr., the board unanimously approved the lease Amendments for GLF619 Clean Tank and GLF620 SURF Subsea regarding improvement rent and commencement date.

Upon motion by Wilbert Collins and second by Jimmy Lafont, the board unanimously approved advertising for yearly summer employees. Chiasson stated that we hire 6 college students which include 5 in Fourchon with maintenance and 1 in Galliano at the Administration office.

Upon motion by Chuckie Cheramie and second by Ervin Bruce, the board unanimously approved the request from LOOP, LLC to amend their lease site SLIP-18 for an additional 35' x 10' site located near the buffer zone pump site. Chiasson stated that the increase property is for a right of way to bury a waterline.

President Griffin presented to the board to add Swire Oilfield Services to the agenda. Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont and second by John Melancon, Jr., the board unanimously approved to add to the agenda the request from Swire Oilfield Services which resulted in 8 yeas and 1 absent. Chiasson reported that Swire is interested in a Right of First Refusal on a 2.97 acre tract of land adjacent to their current lease site along LA 3090. Upon motion by Wilbert Collins and second by Donald Vizier, the board unanimously approved the request from Swire Oilfield Services for a RFR on 2.97 acre site.

Permits & Waterways Committee - The committee met on February 23, 2011 at the Operations Building in Fourchon. Present was Chairman Chuckie Cheramie, Jimmy Lafont, Perry Gisclair, and Larry Griffin. The committee also met on March 7, 2011 at the Administration Building in Galliano with all members present.

Chairman Cheramie presented for the board's review the permit applications from Apache Corporation; Plains Pipeline, LP; Lonies A. Mayeux, Jr.; Bayou Side, LLC; Chevron USA; and Global Geophysical Services, Inc.

Construction & Development Committee - The committee met on February 23, 2011 at the Operations Building in Fourchon. Present was Chairman Ervin Bruce, Donald Vizier, John Melancon Jr. and Larry Griffin. The committee also met on March 7, 2011 at the Administration Building in Galliano with all members present.

Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Jimmy Guidry, the board unanimously awarded the lowest responsive bid from Berry Bros. General Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$999,032.00 for the Northern Expansion Slip C Bucket Dredging project.

Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the contract between the Greater Lafourche Port Commission and LOOP, LLC for the LOOP Security Vessel Thermal Imaging Video Capture System.

Upon motion by Wilbert Collins and second by John Melancon, Jr., the board unanimously approved the contract between the Greater Lafourche Port Commission and Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office for an All Hazards Emergency Response Trailer.

Upon motion by Chuckie Cheramie and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the contract between the Greater Lafourche Port Commission and the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for a Patrol Vessel.

Upon motion by John Melancon, Jr. and Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 a deduct of \$161,005.45 from Mike Hooks, Inc. for the Northern Expansion 1100 LF Slip B Dredging and Flotation Canal project.

Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by John Melancon, Jr., the board unanimously approved the Substantial Completion Certificate dated February 15, 2011 from Mike Hooks for the Northern Expansion 1100 LF Slip B Dredging & Flotation Canal project.

Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Jimmy Guidry, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 6 a deduct of \$3,375.00 from Adesta, LLC for the Communications Tower and Foundation project.

Finance Committee - The committee met on February 23, 2011 at the Operations Building in Fourchon. Present was Chairman Jimmy Guidry, Wilbert Collins, John Melancon Jr. and Larry Griffin. The committee also met on March 7, 2011 at the Administration Building in Galliano with all members present.

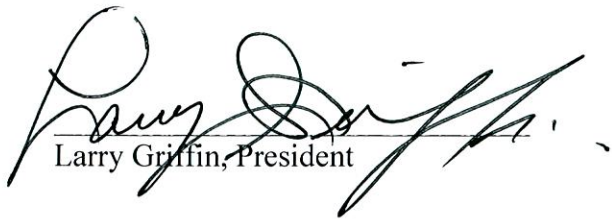
Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved payment of February invoices and recognized expenditures over \$10,000.

Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by Ervin Bruce, the board unanimously approved the out of state travel request from Chett Chiasson to testify at House Natural Resources Committee in Washington, DC on March 15, 2011.

President Griffin opened the floor for any other business. Mr. Harry Cheramie addressed the board and announced his candidacy for Port Commission Seat G. Mr. John Melancon, Jr. also addressed the board and announced his candidacy for Port Commission Seat G. Early voting starts March 19th. President Griffin responded that these are two good candidates for the seat and stated go out and vote. Ms. Paula Schouest the Chairman of the Lafourche Chamber then announced that the Chamber is hosting a forum next Thursday, March 17th at Larose Civic Center for the candidates running for Port Commission Seat G.

Upon motion by Chuckie Cheramie and second by John Melancon, Jr., the board adjourned the regular meeting.

ATTEST:



Larry Griffin, President



Wilbert Collins, Secretary