

**GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION  
AGENDA**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021 at 10:30AM**

**Administration Office · 16829 East Main St · Cut Off, LA 70345**

*(Posted: April 9, 2021 at 3:45PM)*

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approve minutes for March 10, 2021 and March 24, 2021 meeting
- V. Executive Director's Report
  - A. Northern Expansion
    - 1. Northern Expansion Slip C 1100' East Bulkhead (*Picciola & Associates*)
    - 2. Northern Expansion Slip C 1500' East Sweep Dredging (*Picciola & Associates*)
    - 3. Northern Expansion Slip D & Bayou Lafourche Dredge (*GIS Engineering*)
    - 4. Northern Expansion GLF626 Site Improvements (*Angelette-Picciola*)
  - B. Airport Projects
    - 1. Aircraft Operations
    - 2. Airport Connector Road and Bridge (*Picciola & Associates*)
  - C. Other Projects
    - 1. Tidal Creek Bridge & Culvert Improvements (*Picciola & Associates*)
    - 2. Front Marina Boat Shed & Lift (*GIS Engineering*)
    - 3. Port Fourchon Belle Pass Channel Deepening
    - 4. M/V Harvey Seas Removal
    - 5. Bayou Lafourche Mooring Dolphins (*Angelette-Picciola*)
    - 6. Fourchon Beach Restoration and Protection (*Angelette-Picciola*)
    - 7. Belle Pass Tower Upgrade
    - 8. Pre-Storm Debris Removal Project
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT
- VII. Committee Reports
  - A. Executive Committee
    - 1. Consider approving the advertisement for summer employment
    - 2. Consider approving the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with CPRA for the Fourchon Beach Project
    - 3. Consider approving Energy World (USA) in default of lease WBL-1
    - 4. Consider approving the request from Trinity Rental Services to lease a portion of site GLF337
    - 5. Consider approving the bids from the surplus equipment sale
    - 6. Consider approving an Access Agreement with Harvey Gulf International for the M/V Harvey Seas
  - B. Permits & Waterways Committee
    - 1. Review permits from Superior Shipyard & Fabrication, Castex Energy, GLPC, and S2 Energy Operating, LLC
  - C. Construction & Development Committee
    - 1. Consider accepting the Clear Lien Certificate for Slip C 1100' East Bulkhead by Shavers-Whittle Construction
    - 2. Consider approving the FAA Airport Coronavirus Relief Grant
  - D. Finance Committee
    - 1. Consider approving payment of March 2021 invoices and recognize expenditures over \$10,000
    - 2. Consider approving the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire
- VIII. Any Other Business
- IX. Public Comment
- X. Adjournment

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# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

April 14, 2021

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 10:30AM at the Administration Office 16829 East Main Street, Cut Off, LA 70345.

President Harris Cheramie, Jr. called the meeting to order and Secretary M. Callais then called roll.

ATTENDED: Harris Cheramie, Jr., John D. Ordonne, Jimmy Lafont, Rodney J. Gisclair Sr., Curtis Pierce, Larry Griffin, John Melancon, Jr., Mike Callais, and Kris Callais

ABSENT: None

Upon motion by Melancon second by Gisclair, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the minutes for March 10, 2021 and March 24, 2021 meeting.

## **Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Chett Chiasson asked everyone to keep those folks in your prayers that are dealing with the search and rescue effort offshore with the lift boat that turned over yesterday in all the weather.

Northern Expansion – Engineer Joe Picciola reported Shavers-Whittle Construction has completed the Slip C 1100' East Bulkhead project and the clear lien certificate is ready to approve today to close out the project. Engineer Joe Picciola reported the notice to proceed was issued for April 5<sup>th</sup> to Magnolia Dredge & Dock to start work on Slip C 1500' East Sweep Dredging. They have started to move on site dredge pipe and expect to start dredging within the next couple of weeks. Engineer John Plaisance reported on Slip D & Bayou Lafourche Dredge and stated Crosby Dredging is currently dredging in Bayou Lafourche and the disposal area has been split into 2 locations to spread out the fill material. Melancon questioned if it is a larger dredge, which Plaisance replied yes. Engineer Neil Angelette reported on the GLF626 Site Improvements and stated we started advertising today for this project with the bid opening scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup>. The bids are separated into base bid which is estimated at \$1.7 Million and 3 Alternates estimated at \$675,000 each.

Airport Projects – Davie Breaux reported the aircraft operations for March were 1627, with 8,048 passengers, and 21,938 vehicles. Engineer Joe Picciola reported on the Airport Connector Road and Bridge. He stated Sealevel Construction was the low bidder. The contracts were signed and submitted to DOTD and we are waiting for them to be sent to the Port for signature. Once we get them signed, we can start with our normal construction process. Chiasson reported there is waterline work going on now to relocate the utilities. Construction is planned to start in June.

Other Projects – Engineering Joe Picciola reported on the Tidal Creek Bridge & Culvert Improvements. Low Land Construction has completed the kayak launch area and are close to completing the bridge. They have dug the creek toward Flotation Canal with mats in place. They are doing clean up on site and within the next week should be complete. Engineer John Plaisance reported on the Front Marina Boat Shed & Lift. Picciola Construction received materials on Monday and are working on the roof of the structure and expect completion by the end of the month. Chiasson reported on the Port Fourchon Belle Pass Channel Deepening. We continue to work with the Corps to move funds to get to the finish line for a fully approved 30ft. depth. We have also applied to the federal government through Congressman Scalise's office for earmarks for community projects. We requested \$900,000 of funds for this project. We are trying to accomplish this and keep the ball rolling forward. Bryce Autin updated the board on the M/V Harvey Seas Removal. He stated we are working through the access agreement with Harvey Gulf and McKinney Salvage on the terms of the project. We had meetings two weeks ago with permitting agencies so Harvey Gulf is working on getting permits completed and the access agreement finalized to start the work. Engineer Neil Angelette reported on the Bayou Lafourche Mooring Dolphins

project. He submitted the plans and specs for the Port to review. Once completed, we plan to advertise. The base bid is estimated at \$398,000 with an alternate to rebuild 2 dolphins estimated at \$130,000. Melancon question if that is for both, which Neil replied yes, it is \$65,000 each. Engineer Neil Angelette reported on the Fourchon Beach Restoration and Protection project. After meetings with CPRA, he is working on the permit and preliminary design. John Crochet reported on the Belle Pass Tower Upgrade. We received 1 proposal from Deep South Communications for \$389,179.76 and we are in the process of finishing the evaluation of the proposal and will have recommendation in May. Chiasson stated the amount is well above the estimate. Chiasson stated every few years we advertise for Pre-Storm Debris Removal and we will open bids April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

President Cheramie opened the floor for any public comment. Parish President Archie Chaisson addressed the board thanking them for all the partnerships we have including legislative working with Congressional Delegation, Sheriff's office, and the District Attorney. As we are going through this legislative session, we are working with Capital Outlay to get the remainder of the money for the Airport Connector Road and Bridge. He stated there are a lot of new things coming up in the parish and he will keep us posted.

### **Committee Reports**

Executive Committee - The committee met March 24<sup>th</sup> and April 12<sup>th</sup> in Cut Off. Present were Cheramie, R. Gisclair Sr., Melancon, and M. Callais.

Upon motion by M. Callais second by Pierce, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the advertisement for summer employment. Chiasson stated we will plan to hire 2 roustabout workers for one to work here and the other one to work at the Airport.

Upon motion by Ordonne second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with CPRA for the Fourchon Beach Project for \$2 Million through their annual plan during this session.

President Cheramie presented to the board to consider approving Energy World (USA) in default of lease WBL-1. Chiasson stated we have been discussing with them for several years now with the lease on the west side of Belle Pass since 2016. The back and forth with no evidence that they have done their due diligence to achieve what was needed for this project. They are still in the FERC pre-filing process and not in the full filing process. They were also supposed to pursue and achieve a waterway suitability assessment, a USCG letter of recommendation to FERC, a development permit, and construction of facilities which has not been done. The recommendation is to hold them in default as part of lease agreement which gives them 30 days to respond to prove they are not in default. Upon motion Melancon second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Energy World USA in default of the lease WBL-1.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by Gisclair, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Trinity Rental Services to lease a portion of site GLF337 which includes hangar space and parking.

Upon motion by Lafont second by Pierce, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the 23 high bids for surplus equipment sale which total \$5,837.93. The remaining 4 windows that did not sell will be discarded.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Ordonne, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved an Access Agreement with Harvey Gulf International Marine, Inc. and McKinney Salvage, LLC for the removal of the M/V Harvey Seas.

Permits & Waterways Committee - The committee met March 24<sup>th</sup> and April 12<sup>th</sup> in Cut Off. Present were Pierce, Lafont, Ordonne, and Cheramie.

Pierce presented for the board's review permits from Superior Shipyard & Fabrication, Castex Energy, GLPC, and S2 Energy Operating, LLC.

Construction and Development Committee - The committee met March 24<sup>th</sup> and April 12<sup>th</sup> in Cut Off. Present were Griffin, K. Callais, Lafont, and Cheramie.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Ordonne, with no public comment, the board unanimously accepted the Clear Lien Certificate from Shavers-Whittle Construction for Slip C 1100' East Bulkhead.

Upon motion by R. Gisclair second by K. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the FAA Airport Coronavirus Relief Grant for \$23,000 of grant funding and authorizing Executive Director Chett Chiasson to sign any and all documents.

Finance Committee - The committee met March 24<sup>th</sup> and April 12<sup>th</sup> in Cut Off present. Present were Melancon, M. Callais, R. Gisclair, and Cheramie.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved payment of March 2021 invoices and recognized expenditures over \$10,000 which totals \$2,326,189.87.

Upon motion by M. Callais second by Lafont, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the 2020 audit.

Upon motion by Lafont second by Ordonne, the board adjourned at 10:56AM.

ATTEST:

  
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Harris Cheramie Jr., President

  
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Charles M. "Mike" Callais, Secretary