

GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
AGENDA
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 at 10:00AM
Administration Office · 16829 East Main St · Cut Off, LA 70345
(Posted: September 15, 2021 at 9:10AM)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Executive Director's Report
 - A. Leases
 - 1. U.S. Customs termination of lease at Port Complex
 - 2. Central Dispatch termination of lease of office space
 - 3. Great Lakes Dredge & Dock termination of lease for site GLF337
 - B. Permits
 - 1. Corps of Engineers Maintenance Dredging Port Fourchon Jetty & Bar Channel
 - 2. Big Jim's Seafood
 - C. Hurricane Ida
 - D. Northern Expansion
 - 1. Northern Expansion Slip C & Flotation Canal 1500' Bulkhead (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - 2. Northern Expansion Slip D & Bayou Lafourche Dredge (*GIS Engineering*)
 - 3. Northern Expansion GLF626 Site Improvements (*Angelette-Picciola*)
 - E. Airport Projects
 - 1. Aircraft Operations
 - 2. Airport Connector Road and Bridge (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - 3. Seal Coat & Pavement Markings (*GIS Engineering*)
 - 4. Approach Obstruction Removal (*Infrastructure Consulting Engineers*)
 - F. Other Projects
 - 1. Fourchon Pavilion (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - 2. M/V Harvey Seas Removal
 - 3. Bayou Lafourche Mooring Dolphins (*Angelette-Picciola*)
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT
- VI. Meeting Items
 - 1. Consider approving minutes of August 11, 2021
 - 2. Consider approving request from Express Supply & Steel to extend lease site GLF206
 - 3. Consider approving the request from LLOG to lease mooring dolphins
 - 4. Consider approving the request from Rotorcraft to extend the Trailer Site Lease at the Airport
 - 5. Consider approving the Right of First Refusal request from Tala Marine, LLC to lease site GLF630
 - 6. Consider approving the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Facility Planning and Control for the Fourchon Bridge and Connector Road
 - 7. Consider approving the Verizon Amendment of Tower lease for additional equipment
 - 8. Consider approving the Change Order No. 1 from Onshore Materials for GLF626 Site Improvements
 - 9. Consider approving payment of August 2021 invoices and recognize expenditures over \$10,000
 - 10. Consider approving the August 2021 unaudited financial statements
 - 11. Consider approving the insurance renewals
- VII. Any Other Business
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Adjournment

*Serena L. Bruce, Legal/Projects Assistant
Greater Lafourche Port Commission
16829 East Main St., Cut Off, LA 70345
(985)632-6701*

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact us at (985) 632-6701, describing the assistance that is necessary.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
September 16, 2021

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in special session on Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 10:00AM at the Administration Office 16829 East Main Street, Cut Off, LA 70345.

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

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

ABSENT: Curtis Pierce

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Chett Chiasson stated due to the hurricane damage at the Port Complex we have several leases that will be terminating which are U.S. Customs, Lafourche Parish Drainage District, and American Integration Contractors. They have all been notified to come and get their belongings because the building will eventually be demolished. Also, we will terminate the lease with Central Dispatch who has an office in the warehouse building which also had significant damage. He stated in Fourchon the office lease with Great Lakes Dredge & Dock will terminate (old PHI office). As far as the hangar building and property being leased by Trinity Services they want to stay on the site. We will inspect the building structure to determine the path forward.

Chiasson presented for the board's review the permits by the Corps of Engineers Maintenance Dredging Port Fourchon Jetty & Bar Channel for FY2022 and the permit by Big Jim's Seafood for an oyster cultivation farm.

Chiasson presented to the board a presentation of slides from Hurricane Ida damages. He stated that we have already applied for FEMA public assistance. He then went thru the slides showing damages in Port Fourchon: Nerby Collins Marina wharves are destroyed, the Public Boat Launch Marina wharves destroyed, with limestone gone, along with the stairs to the bathhouse. EOC and Operations Center have roof damage. The tower stayed up and took more than 150 mph wind load. The Ops maintenance shop will need to be redone. We have Cotton Company doing remediation on both EOC and Ops Center. Once the buildings are covered today, both Harbor Police and Maintenance will have a decent place to work from. The Front Commercial Marina wharves were damaged. The reports were of 170 mph sustained winds with 223 max gusts. After all the data and reports are in, the category may be upgraded for the records which will also increase the FEMA percentage from 75% to 90% coverage. Chiasson then showed more photos of Pointe Fourchon, Moran's Marina, a HOS Port vessel broken loose, and Flotation Canal Mooring Dolphins damages. Vessels in Port are supposed to be manned however they had vessels that were on drydock if they were in the process of changing bottoms. All the dredge pipe in Belle Pass was removed by Weeks Marine for Great Lakes Dredge & Dock. He showed the West Belle Pass Headland Restoration project had some washout. Chiasson has already spoken to the Corps of Engineers the need to extend the west jetty. The channel is mainly clear however there are some discrepancies between our survey and NOAA's survey which are been reviewed. There haven't been any complaints of draft issues. The bull nose of the jetties was impacted, and the Corps will need to do a survey of the jetties. The beach geotube project and breakwaters were impacted and will need to be renourished. The Back Barrier Marsh Creation project the berms that were created are still intact. The Airport hangar and terminal building took significant damages. Griffin walked in the meeting. The helicopter flight was with RLC chartered by Attorney General Jeff Landry. The following day we had a meeting with USCG, Congressman Scalise, Commissioners, and Parish President Chaisson to discuss the vessels in Bayou Lafourche. He then continued with slides showing damages: Administration Office roof, Port Complex roof, the Warehouse roof, and the Ave. A warehouse garage door and cinder block wall which fell onto a Harbor Police unit

and broke the windshield. We had several vehicles damaged and were able to purchase 2 trucks at Golden Motors.

President Biden did visit which we met in the Airport Terminal. Senator Cassidy came here and if you see in the news the IRS extending payroll taxes that came from Chuckie being in the meeting due to issues in communication. We were able to get a generator to provide power to our temporary Administration building through WebEOC from the state that they fueled daily. Congressman Graves, Congresswoman Letlow, and Congressman Carter came here. Chiasson stated every time he met with a congressman, he discussed the need for an emergency supplemental bill to handle the Corps' needs for funding projects. The Port of Iberia came and provided 1200 gallons of gasoline to the Port employees and commissioners along with pallets of water. The Port of New Orleans delivered a reefer truck with food, water, and ice to feed employees in Fourchon. Parish President, Commissioners, and Chiasson worked the Bless Your Heart Foundation event at the Larose Civic Center this weekend. Scott Angelle with BSEE brought in trailers of stuff to help our organization during the recovery process. Ms. Molly with Morgan Oil Corp. came from Virginia to donate 800 gallons of diesel. Chiasson stated the Lady of the Gulf statue is still standing. We already started some roadside repairs in Port with rented equipment installing rock along the shoulders. We did post on social media that we are open for business. In terms of debris, there is a FEMA waiver in place to allow us to remove our tenant's debris. It must be within the first 90 days of the disaster and placed along road right of ways for a one-time pass. We will meet with our current debris monitor and removal contractor to start that process and determine when we will be ready for them to start. This will be a big benefit for our tenants and save them money. We will activate that once the roads are fixed and Entergy is finished in Port. Chiasson stated that all our Port assets have some damage. We put out an RFP to hire a consultant for Disaster Grant Management Service to assist us with all our FEMA projects.

Chiasson stated the Corps of Engineers is the project manager and has partnered with the Navy SUPSALV for the vessel removal in Bayou Lafourche. They were working on lifting the vessel in Leeville and working their way up the bayou. K. Callais questioned the high water in Bayou Lafourche during the storm, which Chiasson stated he discussed this with Windell Curole, S.L. Levee District. Chiasson stated we did have water overtopping our levees in the sugar cane field at Clovelly on the east side which found a path to the bayou. Joe Picciola stated there was overtopping near the Chouest crawfish farm levees are at 16' and Clovelly levees are 13'. John Plaisance stated the wall near the crawfish farm is at 12' which is where the water came over. There was further discussion on the water levels at the Golden Meadow floodgates, which Joe Picciola stated before the instrument blew off the readings were 12 on the outside and -1.5 on the inside. K. Callais questioned the timeline of landfall to the storm surge, which Chiasson replied landfall was at 11:55AM and storm surge came all at once slightly before that time. Chiasson stated it all came from the east side. We were watching the cameras until they went out it. It came over the Public Boat Launch then the last thing we saw the water was at the bottom of the stop sign at A.J. Estay Road. We probably had 6' of water under Operations Center.

Northern Expansion – Engineer Joe Picciola reported the preconstruction meeting for Northern Expansion Slip C & Flotation Canal 1500' Bulkhead was scheduled for August 31st which did not happen. We will re-schedule a preconstruction meeting next week to start the 90-day assembly period before they move on site. Chiasson stated one of Bollinger's drydocks ended up on the bank at the east end of Slip C so once it is removed, we will inspect the bank and bulkhead. Engineer John Plaisance reported on Slip D & Bayou Lafourche Dredge project. Crosby Dredging left before the storm and went to Houma for repairs. There was dredge pipe scattered in the Port. We are looking at a couple of weeks before they can start work. Plaisance stated he is in the process of surveying the channels in Bayou Lafourche, Slip D, Flotation Canal, and the mitigation area. Chiasson requested they survey the area where the M/V Harvey Seas was. Engineer Neil Angelette stated the GLF626 Site Improvements project is complete and in the lien period. We also have a balancing change order and pay request for approval today. We did inspect the site post Ida, besides some debris everything looked fine.

Airport Projects – Engineer Joe Picciola reported on the Airport Connector Road and Bridge. Sealevel finished demolition of existing structures and removed 22 piles. We will have a change order on the next agenda for the additional work. He was scheduled to start demolishing the blue building and installing test piles, but we will hold off until the bayou is cleared. Sealevel wants to move in and start clearing and

grubbing for the connector road and bringing in material. Engineer John Plaisance reported the Seal Coat & Pavement Markings project was canceled and we will re-advertise in the next few weeks. Davie Breaux stated the engineers for the Approach Obstruction Removal project need to survey the area and then it should be ready to advertise.

Other Projects – Engineer Joe Picciola reported the bid was postponed for the Fourchon Pavilion and he wanted to confirm there are no design changes that were needed due to the storm. The pavilion is designed for 172 mph wind with break-away walls. If there are no major changes, we can re-advertise. The board agreed to re-advertise. Chiasson stated the storm relocated the M/V Harvey Seas from its location in the mitigation area to the bank along Bayou Lafourche. They will need to amend their permit location and we will also have GIS Engineering go survey the area. Engineer Neil Angelette reported on the Bayou Lafourche Mooring Dolphins. Bo-Mac Contractors was supposed to move September 1st, however they will move this week with a tug and ringer crane. Chiasson stated before they start our work, Bo-Mac plans to work with Bollinger on moving the drydocks back in place. Neil stated Bo-Mac will be available to work with others in the community. Chiasson thanked the board for their support and all our employees for doing an excellent job getting us back up and running. It takes a team and a community. Everyone is hurting. He believes our tenants are happy with what we have accomplished with them and continue to do so. It is also great to have great leadership in our Parish with our President and Parish Government we work well together. Davie Breaux mentioned a state group that worked with Magnum Mud during the storm in Cameron last year that assisted them in retrieving containers in the marsh and placing them in a staging area for companies to claim. Chiasson stated his problem with that is Magnum Mud had the opportunity to remove some equipment prior to the storm, however we will help our customers. In the future they need to be more proactive, and we also need to learn from this for our own assets. President Cheramie stated that this administration, maintenance, and especially harbor police worked above and beyond for the storm. He stated within 5 days tenants we were able to assess facilities. They all worked hard to get us back up and running. Chief Kinler stated that Entergy just contacted him that there will be 800 linemen in Port starting Saturday. State Police will handle traffic on the main roads and Harbor Police will handle all other roads.

Cheramie opened the floor for any public comment, there were none.

Upon motion by Melancon second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the minutes of August 11, 2021.

Upon motion by Ordonne second by Lafont, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Express Supply & Steel to extend lease site GLF206.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from LLOG to lease mooring dolphins #25, #26, and #27.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Melancon, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Rotorcraft to extend the trailer site lease at the Airport.

Upon motion by Griffin second by K. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Right of First Refusal request from Tala Marine, LLC to lease 1,000' on site GLF630.

Upon motion by Ordonne second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Facility Planning and Control for the Fourchon Bridge and Connector Road.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Lafont, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Verizon amendment to the tower lease for additional equipment.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Ordonne, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 from Onshore Materials for GLF626 Site Improvements an increase in contract price of \$46,961.67.

Upon motion by Melancon second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved payment of August 2021 invoices and recognized expenditures over \$10,000 which totaled \$1,605,832.48. Chiasson stated the list includes the 2 new vehicles we purchased since we lost several vehicles during the storm.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Ordonne, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the August 2021 unaudited financial statements.

President Cheramie presented for the board's review the 2021 insurance renewals. Miranda Parker presented the highlights to the board for insurance renewals for September 25th. The marine package with Liberty Mutual previously was done for 3 years however they are only doing it for 1 year and there is a 4% increase, the annual premium is \$74,733. Vessel Pollution will stay the same at \$1,750 and Workers' Compensation will increase by \$2,740. Automobile liability with Travelers has an option for excess liability of \$2 million rather than \$1 million limit which is typical in the market now. The premium would increase from \$129,248 to \$154,704, however we also added additional vehicles and have not taken off older vehicles therefore when the audit happens the premium will be adjusted. For the bumbershoot coverage there is an \$11,000 increase and a \$5,000 increase for excess bumbershoot. If we do not increase the auto, they would reduce the excess by 50% this year. Airport pollution is in the 2nd year of the 3-year premium. Crime no changes to annual premium of \$2,863. Police professional liability due to the current market conditions we received a quote for excess liability of \$2.5 million limit in addition to the current \$5 million limit for an addition annual premium of \$10,000. The current premium for \$5 million limit is \$19,892. The board agreed on the increase. The public officials increase is \$42. The total annual premium is \$493,739.29 which includes airport liability and the agreed upon increases. Upon motion by M. Callais second by Melancon, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the 2021 insurance renewals.

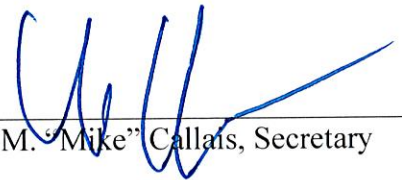
President Cheramie opened the floor for any other business. Ordonne questioned when the vessels will be moved from the Storm Harbor Marina, which Chiasson replied even though vessels have started moving around, we will give vessel owners a 72-hour notice to remove their vessels once Bayou Lafourche is fully opened. There is one vessel that sunk in the marina which we will need to deal with. Thad Angelloz announced last week we sent out an email for donations for the Bless Your Heart Foundation. They are having another supply drive on September 25th. Chiasson stated before the storm we had a weight loss competition here of approximately \$400 which we will donate to this foundation along with any other donations we receive. Chiasson also stated the food that is in the reefer truck we will plan to partner with Grand Isle Shipyard and host a luncheon in Fourchon to feed the tenants.

Upon motion by Lafont second by Ordonne, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:11 AM.

ATTEST:



Harris J. Cheramie, Jr., President



Charles M. "Mike" Callais, Secretary