

**GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION**  
**AGENDA**  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023 at 10:30AM**  
**Popie's Palace · 9045 East Avenue A · Cut Off, LA 70345**  
*(Revised: March 7, 2023 at 9:15AM)*

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approve minutes for February 6, 2023, February 8, 2023, and February 22, 2023 meeting
- V. Executive Director's Report
  - A. Northern Expansion
    - 1. Northern Expansion Slip C & Flotation Canal Bulkhead (*Picciola & Associates*)
    - 2. Northern Expansion Slip C & Flotation Canal Sweep Dredging (*Picciola & Associates*)
    - 3. Northern Expansion Slip D Bulkhead (*GIS Engineering*)
  - B. Airport Projects
    - 1. Aircraft Operations
    - 2. Airport Connector Road and Bridge (*Picciola & Associates*)
    - 3. Airport Terminal Surcharge Project (*GIS Engineering*)
    - 4. PAPI LED Upgrade (*GIS Engineering*)
    - 5. Approach Obstruction Removal (*ICE*)
  - C. Other Projects
    - 1. Fourchon Pavilion (*Picciola & Associates*)
    - 2. Flotation Canal & Front Commercial Marina Dredge (*Picciola & Associates*)
    - 3. Port Security LWIN System
    - 4. Leeville LA 1 Construction Canal Dredging & Mitigation (*Angelette Design*)
    - 5. Hurricane IDA Repair Projects
      - a. Administration Building (*Duplantis Design Group*)
      - b. Nerby Collins Marina Bucket Dredge (*Picciola & Associates*)
      - c. Demolition of PHI Office – (*Picciola & Associates*)
      - d. Operations Center, EOC, and Ops Maintenance Warehouse (*Ritter Maher*)
      - e. Boat Lift Roof and Wharves (*GIS Engineering*)
      - f. Airport Terminal Repairs (*GIS Engineering*)
      - g. Flotation Canal Mooring Dolphin Repairs (*Angelette Design*)
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT
- VII. Committee Reports
  - A. Executive Committee
    - 1. Consider approving the request from Sea Support Dock and Logistics to renew Right of First Refusals on sites GLF320 and GLF321
    - 2. Consider approving the request from Seacor Marine to extend the mooring agreement in Flotation Canal
    - 3. Consider approving the advertisement for summer employment
    - 4. Consider approving the bid for the 2023 SUV
  - B. Permits and Waterways Committee
    - 1. Review the permits from GLPC, Perdido Energy Louisiana, Joseph Babin, South Lafourche Levee District, Apache Louisiana Minerals, Lafourche Parish Government, and GLPC
  - C. Construction & Development Committee
    - 1. Consider approving the Substantial Completion Certificate from APC Construction for the Slip C Bulkhead project.
    - 2. Consider approving the lowest responsive bid for the PAPI LED Upgrades
    - 3. Consider approving Change Order No. 3 from Onshore Construction for the Fourchon Pavilion
    - 4. Consider approving the lowest responsive bid for the Flotation Canal and Front Commercial Marina Dredge project
    - 5. Consider approving Change Order No. 2 from Picciola Construction for the Administration Office Repair
    - 6. Consider approving Change Order No. 4 from Tidewater Dock for the Boat Lift/Roof and Wharf Repairs Project
    - 7. Consider approving the Partial Substantial Completion Certificate from Tidewater Dock for the Boat Lift/Roof and Wharf Repair Project
    - 8. Consider approving the Hurricane Ida Recovery Grant Agreement
  - D. Finance Committee
    - 1. Consider approving payment of February 2023 invoices and recognize expenditures over \$25,000
    - 2. Consider approving the February 2023 preliminary financial statements
    - 3. Consider approving the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire
    - 4. Consider approving the out of state travel requests
- VIII. Any Other Business
- IX. Public Comment
- X. Adjournment

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**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION**  
**March 8, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 10:30AM at Popie's Palace 9045 East Avenue A, Cut Off, LA 70345.

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

ATTENDED: Harris Cheramie, Jr., Thomas Pitre III, Jimmy Lafont, Rodney Gisclair Sr., Ted Savoie, Larry Griffin, John Melancon, Jr., Mike Callais and Kris Callais

ABSENT: None.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Melancon, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the minutes for February 6, 2023, February 8, 2023, and February 22, 2023 meetings.

**Executive Director's Report**

Northern Expansion – Engineer Joe Picciola reported the contractor APC Construction is substantially complete on Slip C Bulkhead project as of February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Engineer Joe Picciola reported contractor Coastal Dredging was issued a notice to proceed on March 6<sup>th</sup> for the Slip C & Flotation Canal Sweep Dredging project. They plan to mobilize on site later this week. Engineer John Plaisance reported the plans and specs are complete for the Slip D Bulkhead and we plan to advertise in late April or early May.

Airport Projects – Davie Breaux reported the operations for the month of February are 1363, 7726 passengers, and 16,141 vehicles. Engineer Joe Picciola reported on the Airport Connector Road and Bridge project. Sealevel Construction is currently installing the columns for the bridge work. They are also working on the base and drainage along the connector road. Gisclair questioned if the contractor had issues with the columns on the east side, which Picciola replied yes but it was fixed without having to breakdown the concrete. Engineer John Plaisance reported Onshore Materials has completed the Airport Terminal Surcharge project. The final inspection is scheduled for this week, and the substantial completion certificate will be ready for next meeting. Engineer John Plaisance reported bids were received for the PAPI Upgrade project. We recommend awarding to the low bidder Preferred Electric for \$111,020. Davie Breaux reported the Approach Obstruction Removal project is complete and we are going over the contractor's request for additional compensation. Bryce Autin stated we will be submitting the retainage to the Clerk of Courts office and did send the contractor the final payment.

Other Projects – Engineer Joe Picciola reported contractor Onshore Construction is currently installing limestone, electrical, and wooden fence for the Fourchon Pavilion project. There is a change order for an additional \$19,590.23 for the relocation of the power pole, new conduit and geofabric. Engineer Joe Picciola reported we received bids on February 28<sup>th</sup> and recommend awarding to the low bidder Coastal Dredging Co. for \$3,802,492.60 for the Flotation Canal & Front Commercial Marina Dredge project. John Crochet reported we are scheduling a meeting with all agencies involved with the Port Security LWIN System to update them on the pricing from Motorola. Engineer Neil Angelette reported we are currently advertising for the Leeville LA 1 Construction Canal Dredging & Mitigation and will open bids on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Hurricane IDA Repair Projects – Davie Breaux reported the contractor Picciola Construction is complete with the roof for the Administration Building. They continue to work on interior painting, duct, and A/C installation. Engineer Joe Picciola reported contractor Plaisance Dragline continues bucket dredging in Nerby Collins Marina. He has started hauling the material to the front parking area. Engineer Joe Picciola reported the contractor Low Land Construction was issued the notice to proceed March 6<sup>th</sup> and started the same day the Demolition of PHI Office.

They are close to completion and will then haul off the debris. Davie Breaux stated the tenant Trinity is interested in leasing the site once they are complete. Davie Breaux reported the contractor Tasch continues to work on the Operations Center, EOC, and Maintenance Warehouse project. The EOC roof and the Operations Center roof are complete. They are starting on the interior of Operations Center. Tasch is waiting on the delivery of materials which is expected by next week to start the Maintenance Warehouse repairs. Engineer John Plaisance reported contractor Tidewater Dock is partially substantially complete on the Storm Harbor Marina and some of the wharves in the Front Commercial Marina. There is a change order for additional work identified during the project. Engineer John Plaisance reported the contractor Freetown Builders has completed the fence repairs for the Airport Terminal project. Once they receive the materials, they will start on the roof replacement, then the interior of the office. Engineer Neil Angelette reported contractor Sealevel Construction was issued the notice to proceed on February 15<sup>th</sup> for the Flotation Canal Mooring Dolphin Repairs. They are currently ordering and preparing the materials to be on site toward the end of March.

President Cheramie opened the floor for any public comment. Janet Rhodus announced the first Louisiana Boulettes & Balloons Festival Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at Oak Ridge Park in Golden Meadow. She stated a balloon glow starts at 5pm on Friday with food and music to kick off the event. She stated on Saturday 10AM to 10PM, there will be good food, music, carvings, crafts, car show, and hot air balloons. The proceeds will benefit Lafourche's Animal Charities Outreach program to lower the cost to spay/neuter.

### **Committee Reports**

Executive Committee – The Committee met February 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 6<sup>th</sup> in Cut Off. Present were Cheramie, Gisclair, Griffin, and Lafont.

Upon motion by Savoie second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Sea Support Dock and Logistics to renew the Right of First Refusals on sites GLF320 and GLF321 for one year.

Upon motion by Gisclair second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Seacor Marine to renew the mooring agreement in Flotation Canal for one year.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Pitre, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the advertisement for summer employment for 4 positions.

Upon motion by M. Callais second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the bid for the 2023 SUV the purchase of a Chevrolet Traverse from Golden Motors in the amount of \$32,218.18.

Permits and Waterways Committee - The committee met February 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 6<sup>th</sup> in Cut Off. Present were Gisclair, Savoie, Pitre, and Cheramie.

Chairman Gisclair presented for the board's review the permits from GLPC, Perdido Energy Louisiana, Joseph Babin, South Lafourche Levee District, Apache Louisiana Minerals, Lafourche Parish Government, and GLPC.

Construction & Development Committee - The committee met February 22<sup>nd</sup> in Cut Off. Present were M. Callais, Lafont, Cheramie, with K. Callais absent. They also met March 6<sup>th</sup> with all members present.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by Lafont, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Substantial Completion Certificate dated February 23, 2023 from APC Construction for the Slip C Bulkhead project.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Savoie, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the lowest responsive bid from Preferred Electric, Inc. for the PAPI LED Upgrades in the amount of \$111,020.00.

Upon motion by Griffin second by K. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 3 from Onshore Construction for the Fourchon Pavilion an increase in contract price of \$19,590.23.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by Lafont, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the lowest responsive bid of \$3,802,492.60 from Coastal Dredging Co. for the Dredging of Flotation Canal and Front Commercial Marina.

Upon motion by Gisclair second by Pitre, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 2 from Picciola Construction for the Administration Office Repairs an increase of \$1,932.77.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by Savoie, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 4 from Tidewater Dock for the Boat Lift/Roof and Wharf Repairs Project an increase of \$129,250.31.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by Pitre, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Partial Substantial Completion Certificate dated March 3, 2023 from Tidewater Dock for the Storm Harbor Marina and Front Commercial Marina wharves excluding wharves S2 and N8.

Upon motion by M. Callais second by K. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Hurricane Ida Recovery Grant Agreement with the Lafourche Parish Government for state funds for the Port up to \$1 million.

Finance Committee - The committee met on February 22<sup>nd</sup> in Cut Off. Present were Melancon, Griffin, Cheramie, with K. Callais absent. They also met March 6<sup>th</sup> with all members present.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved payment of February 2023 invoices and recognized expenditures over \$25,000 which totaled \$2,404,019.14.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Pitre, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the February 2023 preliminary financial statements.

Upon motion by Melancon second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire.

Upon motion by Melancon second by K. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the out of state travel requests from Chett Chiasson and Loulan Pitre to attend the Louisiana Delegation H2 Trade Mission in Texas March 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, Chett Chiasson to attend the SHORES Congressional Fly-In in DC March 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, Luke Adams to attend the Tacflow Ballistic Shield Instructor Program in Tennessee March 26<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>, Chett Chiasson to attend the OTC Annual Conference in Texas May 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>, and Chett Chiasson, Rodney Gisclair, and Tom Pitre to attend the GPA Spring Meeting in Texas May 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>.

Upon motion by Lafont second by Pitre, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:04AM.

ATTEST:

  
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Harris J. Cheramie, Jr., President

  
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Charles M. "Mike" Callais, Secretary