GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION BOARD MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023 at 10:30AM

Administration Office · 16829 East Main St · Cut Off, LA 70345 (Revised: September 12, 2023 at 10:03AM)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approve minutes for August 9, 2023 and August 23, 2023 meeting
- V. Executive Director's Report
 - A. Northern Expansion
 - 1. Northern Expansion Slip C & Flotation Canal Sweep Dredging (Picciola & Associates)
 - 2. Northern Expansion Slip D Bulkhead (GIS Engineering)
 - B. Airport Projects
 - 1. Aircraft Operations
 - 2. Airport Connector Road and Bridge (Picciola & Associates)
 - 3. PAPI LED Upgrade (GIS Engineering)
 - 4. Fuel System Rehabilitation (GIS Engineering)
 - C. Other Projects
 - 1. Fourchon Pavilion (Picciola & Associates)
 - 2. Flotation Canal & Front Commercial Marina Dredge (Picciola & Associates)
 - 3. Flotation Canal Drainage Improvements (Picciola & Associates)
 - 4. Leeville LA 1 Construction Canal Dredging & Mitigation (Angelette Design)
 - 5. Fourchon Beach (Angelette Design)
 - 6. Hurricane IDA Repair Projects
 - a. Operations Center, EOC, and Warehouse (Ritter Maher)
 - b. Nerby Collins Marina Bucket Dredge (Picciola & Associates)
 - c. Boat Lift Roof and Wharves (GIS Engineering)
 - d. Airport Hangar Building Demolition (GIS Engineering)
 - e. Flotation Canal Mooring Dolphin Repairs (Angelette Design)
 - f. Inland Debris Removal
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT
- VII. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee
 - 1. Consider approving the request from T&M Food Catering Services for a food truck lease
 - Consider approving the request for a Right of First Refusal from Argent LNG
 - 3. Consider approving the hay lease at the Airport
 - 4. Consider approving an agreement with Geaux Paddle for kayak rentals
 - 5. Consider approving the agreement with Capital Outlay for the Belle Pass Channel project
 - B. Permits and Waterways Committee
 - 1. Review the permits from the FAA, National Marine Fisheries Service, Entergy LA, and GLPC
 - C. Construction & Development Committee
 - 1. Consider approving the Change Order No. 1 from Coastal Dredging Company for the Northern Expansion Slip C Sweep Dredging
 - 2. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 from Coastal Dredging for the Flotation Canal and Front Commercial Marina Dredge project
 - 3. Consider approving Change Order No. 2 from Plaisance Dragline & Dredging for the Nerby Collins Marina Bucket Dredge project
 - 4. Consider accepting the lowest responsive bid for the Airport Hangar Demolition project
 - D. Possible Executive Session
 - 1. Discuss the clear lien certificate for the Fourchon Pavilion project
 - E. Finance Committee
 - 1. Consider approving payment of August 2023 invoices and recognize expenditures over \$25,000
 - 2. Consider approving the August 2023 unaudited financial statements
 - 3. Consider approving the out of state travel requests
 - 4. Consider approving insurance renewals
- VIII. Any Other Business
- IX. Public Comment
- X. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION September 13, 2023

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 10:30AM at 16829 East Main Street, Cut Off, LA 70345.

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

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

ABSENT: None

Upon motion by Griffin second by K. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the minutes for August 9, 2023 and August 23, 2023 meeting.

Executive Director's Report

<u>Northern Expansion</u> – Engineer Joe Picciola reported contractor Coastal Dredging is substantially complete and in the lien period for Slip C Sweep Dredging project. There is a change order for approval a decrease of \$37,612.40. Engineer John Plaisance reported the Northern Expansion Slip D Bulkhead project is being advertised. The pre-bid meeting is scheduled for this afternoon with bid opening on September 27th.

<u>Airport Projects</u> – Davie Breaux reported the aircraft operations for the month of August were 1,978 operations; 12,540 passengers; and 21,151 vehicles. Engineer Joe Picciola reported on the Airport Connector Road and Bridge project. Sealevel Construction continues to pour concrete on main towers alternating back and forth on LA 1 and LA 308. They are also pouring concrete for the second level for the control house. They have suspended the road work. All the drainage work is complete. Griffin questioned if they evaluate if the concrete has cured all the way, which Picciola replied yes concrete testing is being done at 7 days and 28 days to reach the full strength in the specs. Engineer John Plaisance reported all the equipment has been installed for the PAPI LED Upgrades. The FAA flight check is scheduled for tomorrow. Engineer John Plaisance reported the Airport Fuel System Rehabilitation project is being advertised with bid opening on September 20th.

Other Projects – Engineer Joe Picciola reported the Fourchon Pavilion project is complete and we have received the clear lien certificate and request for retainage. Engineer Joe Picciola reported Coastal Dredging has started dredging near the dolphins for the Flotation Canal & Front Commercial Marina Dredge project. There is a change order for approval the pre-survey quantity adjustments an increase of \$528,960.05. Engineer Joe Picciola reported TD Construction Group has installed 5 cross culverts for the Flotation Canal Drainage Improvements. Engineer Neil Angelette reported Coastal Dredging is working on construction layout and surveys for the Leeville LA 1 Construction Canal Dredging & Mitigation project. They plan to be complete with berm in 2 to 3 weeks and dredge mid to late October with a completion date in December. Engineer Neil Angelette reported we received the permits from DNR and Corps of Engineers for the Fourchon Beach project. We are finalizing plans and specs and hope to start advertising next month.

<u>Hurricane IDA Repair Projects</u> – Davie Breaux reported Tasch is waiting on the delivery of the chain hoist to complete the Operations Center, EOC, and Warehouse project. Engineer Joe Picciola reported the Nerby Collins Marina Bucket Dredge is complete and there is a change order for approval for an additional 35 days. Engineer John Plaisance reported Tidewater Dock has completed the Boat Lift Roof and Wharves at Nerby Collins Marina. The remaining item to

be complete is for Entergy to transfer power for the boat lift. Engineer John Plaisance reported bids were received for the Airport Hangar Building Demolition. The recommendation is to award to B.E.T. Construction for \$78,880. Engineer Neil Angelette reported Sealevel Construction is in the lien period for the Flotation Canal Mooring Dolphin Repair project. Breaux reported Low Land Construction removed 21 items last week in Port for the Inland Debris Removal project.

President Cheramie opened the floor for public comment. Robert Theriot announced his candidacy for Lafourche Parish Assessor. Daniel Lorraine announced his candidacy for Lafourche Parish Council District 9. D'Lynn Chiasson announced her candidacy for Lafourche Parish Council District 8.

Committee Reports

<u>Executive Committee</u> - The committee met August 23rd and September 11th in Cut Off. Present were Cheramie, Gisclair, Griffin, and Lafont.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Gisclair, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from T&M Food Catering Services for a food truck lease.

Upon motion by M. Callais second by K. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Argent LNG for a Right of First Refusal for a potential LNG and green hydrogen site in Port Fourchon.

Upon motion by Ledet second by Pitre, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the hay lease at the Airport to Happy Cow Cattle Company.

Upon motion by Lafont second by Melancon, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Geaux Paddle for a kayak rental kiosk at the Coastal Wetlands Park for \$300 per year.

Upon motion by Gisclair and second by Lafont, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the agreement with Capital Outlay for the Belle Pass Channel project for state funding.

<u>Permits and Waterways Committee</u> - The committee met August 23rd and September 11th in Cut Off. Present were Gisclair, Pitre, Cheramie, and Ledet.

Chairman Gisclair presented for the boards review the permits from the FAA, National Marine Fisheries Service, Entergy LA, and GLPC. Cheramie announced the Port is opposed to the NMFS permit for rice whales in the Gulf of Mexico.

<u>Construction & Development Committee</u> - The committee met August 23rd and September 11th in Cut Off. Present were K. Callais, M. Callais, Lafont, and Cheramie.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 from Coastal Dredging Company for the Northern Expansion Slip C Sweep Dredging to decrease the contract price by \$37,612.40.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by Lafont, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 from Coastal Dredging for the Flotation Canal and Front Commercial Marina Dredge project to increase the contract price by \$528,960.05 and add 30 days to the contract time.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by Pitre, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 2 from Plaisance Dragline & Dredging for the Nerby Collins Marina Bucket Dredge project to add an additional 35 days to the contract time.

Upon motion by K. Callais second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously accepted the lowest responsive bid from B.E.T. Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$78,880 for the Airport Hangar Demolition project.

<u>Possible Executive Session</u> - Upon motion by Pitre second by Ledet, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved to enter Executive Session by a roll call vote of 9 yeas to discuss the clear lien certificate for the Fourchon Pavilion project. The board returned to the meeting.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Pitre, with no public comment, the board unanimously accepted the clear lien certificate from Onshore Construction Company, LLC for the Fourchon Pavilion.

<u>Finance Committee</u> - The committee met on August 23rd in Cut Off. Present were Griffin, Cheramie, K. Callais, with Melancon absent. They also met on September 11th with all present.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved payment of August 2023 invoices and recognized expenditures over \$25,000 which total \$3,735,261.56.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Ledet, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the August 2023 unaudited financial statements.

Upon motion by Melancon second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the out of state travel requests from Chett Chiasson to attend Washington meetings in DC September 18th – 21st; Luke Adams and Parise Lyons to attend the ALERTT Annual Conference in Texas October 26th – 30th; and Chett Chiasson, Chuckie Cheramie, Rodney Gisclair, Mike Callais, John Melancon Jr., Thomas Pitre III, Reggie Ledet, and Kris Callais to attend the Louisiana Alive Event and Meetings in Washington DC January 23rd – 27th.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Gisclair, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the insurance renewals with a total annual premium of \$574,850.27 a 2% savings.

Upon motion by Lafont second by Pitre, the board adjourned at 11:12AM.

ATTEST:

Harris J. Cheramie, Jr., President

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Callais, Secretary