

AGENDA
MAY 10, 2000

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Executive Director's Report
 - A. E-Slip Expansion Updates
 - 1. 2nd Leg
 - 2. 3rd Leg
 - B. Northern Expansion Update
 - C. FEMA Damage Repairs
 - 1. Belle Pass Dredging
 - D. Highway Improvements
 - E. Golden Meadow Seawall
 - F. Bayou Clean Up
- V. Committee Reports:
 - A. Executive:
 - 1. Pull names for summer employment
 - 2. Award bids of surplus equipment
 - 3. Motion to accept Substantial Completion of Belle Pass Dredging Project
 - 4. Motion to accept Change Order No. 1 of Belle Pass Dredging Project
 - 3. Martin Terminal, Inc. Amendment to Surface Lease (North Yard)
 - 4. Martin Terminal, Inc. Amendment to Surface Lease (Lot 14)
 - 5. MB Energy, L.L.C.
 - 6. Stolt Offshore, Inc.
 - 7. R & A Electrical Services, Inc.
 - B. Legal, Permits, & Waterways:
 - 1. Letters of No Objection
 - a. Abdon Callais Offshore, LLC
 - C. Construction & Development:
 - D. Finance:
 - 1. Approval of Invoices and recognize following expenditures of over \$10,000:

1.	Picciola & Associates, Inc.	\$ 21,036.80
2.	Picciola & Associates, Inc.	\$ 17,786.04
3.	Johnny F. Smith Trucking	\$ 73,106.75
4.	J. Wayne Plaisance, Inc.	\$ 17,533.56
5.	Lowland Construction Co.	\$554,352.99
6.	C.E.C., Inc.	\$ 70,042.11
 - 2. Financial Report for April, 2000
 - 7. Adopt Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire and authorize execution by Board President, Treasurer and Secretary
 - E. Personnel:
 - 1. Pay Plan Changes
 - 2. Request to Civil Service for Foreman position (Construction Projects)
- VI. Any other business
- VII. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
MAY 10, 2000

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session in the Conference Room of the Commission Administration Building in Galliano, Louisiana on Wednesday, May 10, 2000 at 10:30 AM pursuant to the provision of due notice in writing to each and every member thereof and duly posted in the manner prescribed by law.

President Bernard called the meeting to order and requested that Board Member Johnny Melancon call the roll.

PRESENT: Johnny Melancon, Ervin Bruce, Chester Cheramie, Dudley Bernard, Donald Vizier and Larry Griffin

ABSENT: Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Rodney Terrebonne and Wilbert Collins, Sr.

Also present were Ted M. Falgout, Executive Director; Davie J. Breaux, Assistant Director; Joe Picciola, Larry Picciola, and John Plaisance, Port Engineers; Edmond Deramee, Jr. with Deramee and Pitre, L.L.C.; Gerald Guidry, Harbor Police Chief; and Cindy F. Dufrene, Port Secretary.

President Bernard led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Bernard then called upon Executive Director Ted Falgout for his report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

In reference to the E-Slip Bulkhead Extension 2nd Leg, Bulkhead Repair, project engineer Larry Picciola reported that Gary Platt with Weeks Marine said they would like to do the bulkhead repairs themselves. Mr. Platt has been speaking with Oceaneering about doing underwater welding, and they want to do a test section on the bulkhead to determine what the cost of repair would be. Mr. Platt has sent Mr. Picciola a copy of the proposal from Oceaneering, but Mr. Platt has been told several times that he must submit his plan to Weeks' Attorney who then will forward it to the Port's Attorney. Mr. Picciola is concerned about the constant delays and feels at this point the Commission should move toward legal action to speed up the process. Discussion followed.

In reference to the Leg III E-Slip Expansion, Phase II - Bulkheading, project engineer Joe Picciola reported that the contractor has completed Part A of the project and also has completed driving the timber piles and pouring the concrete deadmen on Part B. The steel sheet piles have been driven to the corner near C-Port 2 with approximately 178' of steel sheet pile remaining to be driven. Welding will follow the installation of the steel sheet piles. Discussion followed.

In reference to the Leg III E-Slip Expansion, Phase III - Dredging, Mr. Picciola reported the contract is currently in the Lien Period.

In reference to the Northern Expansion, Director Falgout reported that no changes were proposed in the second tier of hearings for the Port Priority Project Funding. There's still a threat of budget cuts due to the financial position of the state; however, most of the funds coming from DOTD are dedicated so there may not be any problems. Planting in the mitigation area for Part B of the Northern Expansion will be scheduled for late June or early July. Director Falgout has a meeting scheduled Thursday with the Economic Development Administration (EDA) to inquire about funding from federal revenue for the Northern Expansion project. EDA grants funds based upon the number of jobs created and the amount of investments to be made in the area. The Commission will ask for \$1.5 million dollars, the maximum funding allowed. This project is now in a position to begin preliminary engineering. John Plaisance with J. Wayne Plaisance Engineers is in the process of receiving a proposal from a geo-technical firm and is investigating the potential for a sewage treatment facility to service the entire Northern Expansion development.

In reference to FEMA Project, Belle Pass Dredging, Director Falgout stated this project is complete.

In reference to the Belle Pass Dredging, Director Falgout stated that the Corps of Engineers is still scheduled to dredge the channel this Fall. Discussion followed.

In reference to Highway improvements, Director Falgout reported that results of the EIS Statement have confirmed that LA 1 is very dangerous, with twice as many accidents as the state average of this highway class. Director Falgout feels once the EIS Study is complete, an elevated four lane structure will certainly be preferred. The OCS Revenue Sharing Bill is going to be heard today on the House Floor. It will be televised on C-Span.

In reference to the Golden Meadow seawall, Director Falgout stated that the initial part of the project is complete, with some funding still available to address any additional repairs needed. Assistant Director Breaux reported that he and Mayor Bouziga have identified two new locations where repairs would require 250 to 300 tons of material. Director Falgout stated the Commission has submitted a Capital Outlay request through DOTD for additional funding to continuously work and protect the highway system. He would like to continue the asphaltic shoulders along the highway up to the Port.

In reference to the Bayou Clean Up, Director Falgout stated the clean up should begin within a month and will focus on several bad areas that threaten the embankment of the highway where culverts come through the road. Discussion followed.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Dudley Bernard, Chairman
Johnny Melancon, Member
Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Member
Donald Vizier, Member

President Bernard announced it was time to pull names for summer employment from the 10 applications received. Two applicants who worked the previous year were chosen by Assistant Breaux to be team leaders. They are as follows:

Derek Lafont
Jamie Arceneaux

Four applicants from the remainder will be pulled for summer employment, and the rest will be alternates. They were pulled as follows:

1. Jason Boura
2. David M. Cary, Jr.
3. Zeke Autin
4. Jessie Boura

Alternates

1. Ian Duet
2. Jon Shaw, Jr.
3. Zachary Walker
4. Keagan Collins

Board Member Collins entered the meeting.

President Bernard presented awarding of bids on surplus equipment. Director Falgout stated that bids were opened and read aloud at 11:00 AM, May 8, 2000. The high bids received on surplus equipment are as follows:

1988 Dodge Pickup Truck	Roy (Bobby) Angelette	\$655.00
1992 Ford Crown Victoria	Brewer Wholesaler	\$1,525.00
1993 GMC Sierra Pickup Truck	Brewer Wholesaler	\$1,855.00
1995 Chevrolet Caprice	Golden Motors	\$1,000.00
1996 Ford Crown Victoria	Golden Motors	\$3,000.00
Wheel Balancer	James Dantin	\$51.99
Tire Changer	James Dantin	\$101.99
RCA XL 100 TV	Macliav J. Tivet	\$26.00
Shop Utility Trailer	Roy (Bobby) Angelette	\$78.00
John Deere Bushhog	Murphy Broussard	\$565.00
Trailer Mower Swisher Mower	Lanson Hebert, Jr.	\$506.00
1966 Miller Tilt Trailer	Roy (Bobby) Angelette	\$405.00

Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Larry Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners accepted the high bids received on the surplus equipment. Discussion followed.

President Bernard presented for approval a Certificate of Substantial Completion for FEMA Project, Belle Pass Dredging. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Wilbert Collins, Sr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners accepted the Certificate of Substantial Completion for FEMA Project, Belle Pass Dredging.

President Bernard presented for approval a Change Order No. 1 for the FEMA Project, Belle Pass Dredging to reduce the cost of the project. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Ervin

Bruce and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners accepted Change Order No. 1 for FEMA Project, Belle Pass Dredging.

President Bernard presented an Amendment to Martin Terminal, Inc. surface lease (North Yard). Director Falgout stated this Amendment would allow Martin Terminal the option to reduce its improvement rental by allowing the company to pay advanced improvement rental on this lease within 12 months of execution of this Amendment. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Larry Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners approved the Amendment to Martin Terminal, Inc. surface lease (North Yard).

President Bernard presented an Amendment to Martin Terminal, Inc. surface lease (Lot 14). Director Falgout stated this Amendment is the same as the previous Amendment approved for Martin's North Yard which would allow Martin Terminal the option to reduce improvement rental by paying an advanced improvement rental on this lease (Lot 14) within 12 months of execution of this Amendment. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Ervin Bruce and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners approved the Amendment to Martin Terminal, Inc. surface lease (Lot 14).

President Bernard presented MB Energy, L.L.C. as the next item on the Agenda. Director Falgout stated that the Commission had some concerns with signing an agreement with Cross Energy for property leased by Brandt Energy because Cross Energy did not have substantial assets. They have now teamed up with MB Energy, L.L.C. who does have substantial assets. Approval is needed for execution of agreement by Director Falgout with MB Energy, L.L.C. Upon motion by Chester Cheramie, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners approved the execution of agreement by Director Falgout with MB Energy, L.L.C. for Brandt Energy's lease.

President Bernard presented a request from Stolt Offshore, Inc. to extend the term of their lease for six (6) months only with termination of the lease effective December 31, 2000. Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Wilbert Collins, Sr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners extended the term of the Stolt Offshore, Inc. lease to terminate December 31, 2000.

President Bernard presented a letter from R & A Electrical Services, Inc. Director Falgout stated they were behind in their rent and since have worked out a rental payment schedule. We are also working with them on a sub-lessee that needs to do some improvements on this site. If these improvements are not taken care of by the next meeting, they will be addressed then.

LEGAL PERMITS & WATERWAYS:

Larry Griffin, Chairman
Wilbert Collins, Sr., Member
Ervin Bruce, Member

Chairman Griffin presented the following letters of no objections:

Abdon Callais Offshore, L.L.C.

Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Wilbert Collins, Sr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners accepted the above letters of no objection.

Chairman Griffin presented the proposed Ordinance No. 65 limiting the tows in Bayou Lafourche to 350' in length (includes vessel and tow) from the Larose Floodgate to the Golden Meadow Floodgate with a provision for special tows upon authorization by the Commission. President Bernard opened the floor to an open hearing for anyone who wished to state their comments on the Ordinance. No one responded. Discussion followed. Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Wilbert Collins and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 65 as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 65

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A LIMIT ON THE LENGTH
OF TOWS IN BAYOU LAFOURCHE BETWEEN THE
FLOODGATES TO 350' (INCLUDING VESSEL AND TOWS)
WITH A PROVISION FOR SPECIAL TOWS.**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission:

SECTION 1. That the Board of Commissioners does hereby establish a limit on tows in Bayou Lafourche as follows:

- A. In Bayou Lafourche, limit on tows shall be 350' including the vessel and tows.
- B. The ordinance shall apply to Bayou Lafourche between the Golden Meadow Floodgate and the Larose Floodgate.

SECTION 2. The provisions of Section 1 hereof are subject to the following exception. Any tow (including vessel) which exceeds the limits herein established may request, in writing, a special permit. Said request must describe the type of tow, reasons for special consideration, vessel horsepower, and overall length. Special permits shall be valid only if approval is furnished in writing on official Port stationery and signed by the Port Director or his authorized designee. For the purposes of this ordinance, written notice may be presented by FAX at 504-632-6703, Mail at glpc@cajunnet.com, mail at P. O. Box 490, Galliano, LA 70354, or hand delivered at 16819 East Main, Galliano, LA.

SECTION 3. Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred and No/100 (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned for not more than six (6) months, or both, in the discretion of the court having jurisdiction.

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT:

Rodney Terrebonne, Chairman
Larry Griffin, Member
Chester Cheramie, Member

Director Falgout stated there were no issues to address under Construction and Development.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Donald Vizier, Chairman
Harrison Cheramie, Jr., Member
Johnny Melancon, Member

Chairman Vizier presented the invoices for April, 2000 and the expenditures over \$10,000 for approval. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Ervin Bruce, and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners approved the invoices for April, 2000 and recognized the following expenditures over \$10,000:

1.	Picciola & Associates, Inc.	\$21,036.80
2.	Picciola & Associates, Inc.	\$17,786.04
3.	Johnny F. Smith Trucking	\$73,106.75
4.	J. Wayne Plaisance, Inc.	\$17,533.56
5.	Lowland Construction Co.	\$554,352.99
6.	C.E.C., Inc.	\$70,042.11
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Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners approved the Financial Report for April, 2000.

Chairman Vizier presented for approval the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire and the authorization of execution of the Questionnaire by Board President, Treasurer, and Secretary. The Commission must follow this procedure for its annual audit. Upon motion by Donald Vizier, seconded by Ervin Bruce and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners adopted the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire and authorized execution of said Questionnaire by the Board President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Johnny Melancon, Chairman
Rodney Terrebonne, Member
Ervin Bruce, Member

Chairman Melancon presented three items for approval under the changes to the pay plan: an Optional Pay Adjustment policy resulting in pay increases for police officers Sgt. Frank Terrebonne and Cpl. Randy Chiasson; a 15% Flexible Maximum Hire Rate for the Accountant Administrator 1 position, effective 6-1-2000; and a 4% salary adjustment for the Harbor Police Chief. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Larry Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners adopted the three proposed changes to the pay plan.

Chairman Melancon presented for approval a request to Civil Service for an additional Maintenance Foreman position. Director Falgout stated that an additional Maintenance Foreman is needed to oversee the increasing number of the Commission's construction projects. Our current Maintenance Foreman will oversee the maintenance aspect of our operations. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Wilbert Collins, Sr. and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners approved the

request to Civil Service for an additional Maintenance Foreman position.

Chairman Melancon reported that our Maintenance Foreman, Wilson Picou, has returned to work two days a week until he completes Cardiac Rehab. Officer James Wright is working at the OPS Center on light duty and will begin rehab in another 8 to 9 weeks.

Director Falgout asked Chief Guidry for an update on the opening of the shrimp season. Chief Guidry reported that the Harbor Police had to temporarily ban 4 vessels from the Pass and wrote up 2 no wake violations, and he thanked the Coast Guard for their assistance that day.

Board Member Vizier asked Chief Guidry to clarify whether visitors to the beach can walk across the Caillouet's property by the mean high water mark. Chief Guidry said the security guard for Caillouet is stopping everyone who steps foot on Caillouet property. Director Falgout stated that the Caillouet Land Corporation had no right to stop passage in the area below the mean high water mark. He also added that the Parish Council, who actually owns the right of way to the beach, refused the Caillouet's request to cancel their part of the right of way from the Chevron road to the beach. Discussion followed.

Board Member Collins left the meeting.

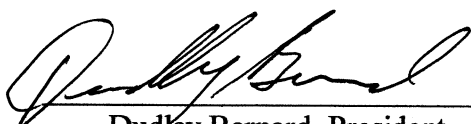
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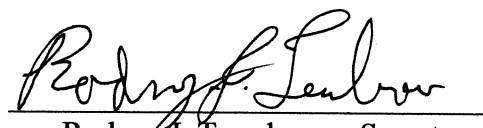
Director Falgout presented a Clear Lien Certificate for FEMA Project, Breakwater & Jetty Repairs for approval. Upon motion by Johnny Melancon, seconded by Larry Griffin and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners accepted the Clear Lien Certificate for FEMA Project, Breakwater & Jetty Repairs.

Director Falgout noted he made an error on the request for amendment to Martin Terminal, Inc. surface lease (Lot 14). The amendment is to correct a typographical error in the lease. The first sentence in Section III of the lease should read as follows: "The Primary term of this lease shall commence February 1, 1999 and shall terminate on January 31, 2009, regardless of the actual date upon which this agreement may be signed." Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Chester Cheramie and unanimously passed, the Board of Commissioners amended Martin Terminal, Inc. surface lease (Lot 14).

Upon motion by Larry Griffin, seconded by Johnny Melancon and unanimously passed, the Board Meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:


Dudley Bernard, President


Rodney J. Terrebonne, Secretary