AGENDA September 9, 2010 at 10:30 AM (Revised 9/8/10 at 10:00 AM)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consider approval of minutes for August 11, 2010 regular meeting and August 19, 2010 special meeting minutes
- V. Executive Director's Report
 - A. NOAA Presentation
 - **B.** Northern Expansion
 - 1) Slip B East Bulkhead, Phase #4, Part II (Angelette-Picciola)
 - 2) Slip B Dredging Phase 4, Part IV (Angelette-Picciola)
 - C. Airport Projects
 - 1) Perimeter Fencing
 - 2) Taxilane Connector
 - D. FEMA Projects Beach Stabilization
 - E. Port Security and Grant Projects
 - 1) 400' Communications Tower and Foundation
 - 2) Multi-Agency Security Response Center
 - 3) Phase II MDA Camera networking improvements
 - 4) Telecommunication Infrastructure Project
 - F. Other Port Projects
 - 1) Martin Terminal Slip #1 Repairs
 - 2) L&L Dock#15 Bulkhead Repairs
 - G. LA 1 Highway Improvements
 - H. Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill
- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee
 - 1) Consider approving the request from Simmonds Equipment for a Right of First Refusal
 - 2) Consider approving the revised Public Tug Dock Agreement
 - 3) Consider adopting the CDBG resolution to commit supplemental funding for the S.L. Storm Harbor Marina
 - B. Permits & Waterways Committee
 - 1) Consider taking action on sunken vessel in Galliano owned by Mr. Guidry
 - 2) Review permit applications from Lafourche Parish Government, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, and Shell Pipeline Co.
 - C. Construction & Development Committee
 - 1) Consider adopting the DOTD resolution accepting the work for the Dudley Bernard Road project
 - 2) Consider awarding the low bid for the Northern Expansion 1100' Dredging project
 - 3) Consider awarding the low bid for the Perimeter Fencing project at the Airport
 - 4) Consider adopting the DOTD resolution for the Aviation Priority Program
 - 5) Consider Change Order from Adesta for the Tower project
 - 6) Consider Change Order from Vaisala for the Localizer project
 - D. Finance Committee
 - 1) Consider payment of August invoices and recognize expenditures over \$10,000
 - 2) Consider approving August Financial Statement
 - 3) Consider approving the insurance renewal proposal
 - 4) Consider approving the out of state travel request
- VII. Any other business
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION September 9, 2010

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Thursday, September 9, 2010 at 10:30AM.

President Griffin called the meeting to order and Secretary Collins called roll.

ATTENDED: Chuckie Cheramie, Perry Gisclair, Jimmy Lafont, Donald Vizier, Wilbert Collins, Larry Griffin, Jimmy Guidry, and Ervin Bruce

ABSENT: John Melancon

Upon motion by Donald Vizier and second by Ervin Bruce, the board unanimously approved the minutes for August 11, 2010 regular meeting and August 19, 2010 special meeting.

Executive Director's Report

NOAA Presentation – Mr. Tim Osborn with NOAA presented to Executive Director Chiasson a letter of thanks for the response with the BP Oil Spill. He stated that he wanted to extend his personal thanks and doesn't believe that there's a person in the United States that has not heard of Port Fourchon in the last few months due to the oil spill and at a time of a real tragedy with the loss of lives. When officials came to Fourchon it wasn't a matter of seeing the disaster extending to the Port, it was a matter of seeing a Port maintaining a professional approach every day as this Port operates. Over the last few months, he has seen approximately 25,000 vessels in and out of the Pass and has not seen one overly delayed or diverted to another port. The Port has supported the operations of the Deepwater Horizon incident site as well as the cleanup and maintained daily operations. The letter from Commander Shepard Smith read as follows: "This summer, after getting called to help conduct research on the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill, the NOAA Ship Thomas Jefferson found herself working in unfamiliar waters with unprecedented logistical challenges. We needed to ship samples to a lab every three days. We couldn't make water. We needed protective gear and environmental monitoring equipment to respond to ever-more-stringent health and safety concerns. We needed to embark scientists from ashore. We needed to feed the national media's need to know what was going on, with press visits. In short, we were overwhelmed. We went forward with this mission with the faith that it would all work out. It turns out that we turned for help time and time again to the good folks in Port Fourchon, and the supply vessels that call it home. When it looked like we were going to run out of water, we called on the supply vessel Fox, who came over and gave us enough to finish the voyage. Week after week, a long series of orders for everything under the sun arrived by way of the Mr. Stephen. On June 8th, the Port Fourchon Harbor Police and Lafourche Parish Sheriff volunteered the use of three of their boats and officers for a major logistical effort, transferring several cases of samples ashore, delivering a boat load of national media aboard, and safely transferring some of our scientists to the ship and back ashore. We were really in a bind, and the good folks of Port Fourchon smoothed it all out, allowing us to get back to work just a few hours later. Thank you again, on behalf of a grateful NOAA."

Mr. Osborn stated that on the hurricane season he also commended the Port on their planning and prep for the season. He has attended a number of meetings and this Port is as prepared as any to monitor potential storms and prepared for response immediately after storms. This is one more indication, that this Port will maintain its professionalism and operate safely in good times and bad. Director Chiasson extended his appreciation for the presentation and the relationship that the Port has with NOAA especially after storms when NOAA is here to assist with our safe operations of the Port.

Northern Expansion – Engineer Larry Picciola stated that the work continues for Slip B 1100 LF Bulkhead. The contractor has placed the lightweight aggregate and 35 of the 90 tie rods. There are a few problems with painting due to the high tides. Mr. Picciola reported that the bids were opened last week for the Slip B 1100 LF Dredging project. He stated that if award just the base bid it would be Inland

Dredging Company for \$839,203.75 however if you award the base bid and the alternate bid the low bid would be Mike Hooks for a total of \$4,147,883.75. The original estimate was \$6 million. We received real good bids. He then added that the clear lien certificate for the Dudley Bernard Roadway project came in yesterday and will be presented to the board next month.

Airport Projects – Mr. Jason Duet reported that the bids for the Taxilane Connector were opened last week. This project will connect our existing taxiway to the area for hangar development. The prices came in higher than expected. The engineer will negotiate with the apparent low bidder Byron Talbot to see if we can get the prices down before we recommend awarding the project. Mr. Duet reported that the bids for the Perimeter Fencing also were opened last week. The apparent low bidder was Petron however they did not submit the required documentation in time therefore their bid was rejected. The second low bidder we are recommending to award is Liberty Fence and Supply (Liberty) for a total amount of \$240,146.80. We did receive a protest letter from Amko Fence and Steel (Amko) against awarding the project to Liberty. He stated that the engineer from the LPA Group is here along with members of Liberty and Amko.

A representative from Amko Mr. Michael LeBon addressed the board. He reported on a number of things that will disqualify the low bidder such as previous experience. He stated that the contractor just got a contractor's license last year and just started business last year. He couldn't find anyone who knew them. He stated you are required to do 40% of the work and may subcontract the rest however he doesn't believe they have the employees to do that. The permanent place of business is questionable he only found a home address with a cell phone number. He stated that one main factor disqualifying them is that the contractor's license is not in their name it is in the name of a man who no longer works for them. He doesn't see how they could have filled out the bid qualification form truthfully. It is the engineer's responsibility to research the contractors however Amko doesn't believe there was enough research done. Amko has been in business for over 35 years and has completed a multitude of fence projects with the most recent at the Slidell Airport, Baton Rouge Airport, Hammond Airport, and a local project completed for the new Wildlife and Fisheries in Grand Isle. Some of Amko's employees have been with them for 20-30 years. He stated that on Liberty's application they state they are Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) certified which they are not on the DOTD list.

Engineer Michael Hixson with the LPA Group addressed the board. He stated that during his review of the bids he is charged with reviewing if the documents are filled out completely and if all documents are submitted. It is not customary for the engineer to do a background check on contractor's character or on lifetime experience. He did contact a number of references with one coming back with high marks from the City of Gonzales. He did look into the license to verify that it is valid and received a letter attesting to the employee whose name the license is in is an employee of Liberty. Director Chiasson questioned if the license is the same license that Amko is referring to, which Mr. Hixson replied yes. It is the company's general contractor's license with their specialty in fencing and the qualifying party lists a name. The name can either be a partner, owner, or an employee. He stated in this case it is an employee therefore it meets the requirement. He stated that Liberty did not submit for DBE, Liberty submitted that they have a subcontractor that has the required DBE certification that also meets the requirements. He concluded that on the issues that engineer's validate bids there are no problems with Liberty's bid.

Commissioner Vizier questioned how does the engineer verify the license since Amko made the statement that the employee does not work for them, which Mr. Hixson replied that we received a letter from Liberty stating that he is an employee. Vizier responded that anyone can write a letter. Mr. Bryce Autin stated that the Port has looked on LA State Licensing website to search for contractor's licenses and Liberty who is the lowest responsive bidder has a general contractor's license under their name now under the specialty fencing classification it is under the gentleman's name that is or is not an employee. He doesn't believe that we require that a specialty license be held they are only required to have a general contractor's license. Mr. Hixson agreed that we do not require a specialty fence license. Commissioner Cheramie questioned Mr. Autin's recommendation and do we hold it for a few days to further research, which Mr. Autin replied no he appreciates the concerns from Amko and we did look into them to address. He stated that a lot of the concerns deal with experience which is discretionary. He

doesn't see a legal problem in awarding this bid. We regularly allow contractors to subcontract for the DBE requirement. There is no legal issue and again the main concern was experience which is at the board's discretion. Commissioner Lafont stated that during the committee meeting it was said that one company didn't include the proper paperwork, which Mr. Hixson replied that was Petron the apparent lowest bidder whose bid was rejected and now we are dealing with the second lowest bidder. Commissioner Guidry questioned if we looked into any past jobs Liberty has done, which Mr. Hixson replied that he did look into several projects with one of the responses from the City of Gonzales which stated they did an excellent job.

Mr. Jimmy Saizon with Liberty then addressed the board. Mr. Saizon stated that his partner Mr. Ed Jones who has the contractor's license is also with him today. He stated that from the talk of experience Mr. Jones did a special project for the US Geological Survey in Rhode Island for the only snake barrier type fence that worked which speaks for itself. Mr. Saizon proceeded to give the board a handout of that project. Mr. Jones stated that he is a third generation fence man and has 39 years of experience with all types of fence projects. Mr. Lebon with Amko stated that Mr. Jones is a full time employee for Belle Fence in Baton Rouge, which Mr. Jones replied yes however he works for Mr. Saizon after hours working almost 80 hours a week. Vizier questioned if the other company he is working for is using his license, which Mr. Jones replied no it is a wholesale company. Mr. Lebon with Amko stated that Mr. Saizon referred to Mr. Jones as a partner however he is not listed on the website only Mr. Saizon is listed along with his wife. He is confused to what Mr. Jones' role is with the company and if he receives a paycheck. He would like to see what Liberty submitted to the engineer. Commissioner Griffin asked Liberty if they feel comfortable that they can build the fence, which both members replied yes.

<u>FEMA Projects</u> – Director Chaisson stated that the Port did receive the project worksheet for the Beach Stabilization project for \$3.4 million however he was informed that the \$2 million of the dredged material placed in front of the bags is also included in the project. He is moving forward with the state workers to get the dredge material covered in a separate project worksheet.

Port Security and Grant Projects – Ms. Swanson reported that the concrete mix is planned to be poured next week for the 400' Communications Tower and Foundation project. There is a change order for the board's consideration for a duct bank to serve the future multi agency building which is an increase cost of \$13,882.80 with 10 additional days. She stated that they are continuing to work with the architects on the scope for the contract for the Multi-Agency Security Response Center. Ms. Danos reported that the RFP should be out within the next few weeks for the Phase II MDA – Camera networking improvements. She stated that the Telecommunication Infrastructure Project is moving the 2 buildings from the Airport to Fourchon on the foundation currently being constructed under the tower project and tying in all the electrical work.

Other Port Projects – Director Chiasson reported that Engineer Picciola presented to the board on Tuesday different options and cost estimates for the Martin Terminal Slip #1 Repairs. We are aware that the cost estimates are \$2 million higher than what was expected. Director Chiasson and Mr. Picciola will meet again on Monday to further discuss then we will meet with the Chouest organization to move forward as quickly as possible. Commissioner Gisclair stated with some of the vessel companies complaining about the dock now, during the construction phase the vessels will not be allowed at all will they be re-routed to another dock, which Director Chiasson replied yes they have other docks in the area. Gisclair questioned timeline for construction, which Mr. Picciola replied a minimum of 9 months however they can construct half the slip at a time then the other half.

Mr. Breaux reported that the L&L Dock#15 Bulkhead Repairs are complete. He stated that on Dock #16 they replaced top caps and top sections and put new tire bumpers which are also complete.

<u>LA 1 Highway Improvements</u> – Mr. Henri Boulet reported that as of August 31st the percentage of completion of Phase 1A was 68%, with 71% of time elapsed. Moving on to Phase II: Updating you on Right-of-Way acquisition work,13 have now been acquired, 3 are in closing, 2 are pending due to legal matters, and 3 are on hold pending R/O/W map revisions necessitated by changes to the plans on the relocated Bollinger Canal. Concerning the contract to modify R/O/W maps at the southern end of Phase II, the Notice to Proceed to begin revisions to the plans was issued on August 30, 2010. This work will

include revising the R/O/W needs, surveying & dredge preparation documents for the Project Access Canal, and updating the environmental document and permits. Concerning securing construction funding for Phase II, the Coalition in cooperation with the South Central Planning and Development Commission submitted a \$100 million request to the National Infrastructure Investments Grant Program on August 23rd. The U.S. Department of Transportation is expected to announce grant awards in late October. As I mentioned last month, this will be a very competitive process. I am working on several upcoming meetings with other federal stakeholder agencies to generate broad support for the application. Also within the last month, the Coalition hosted a team of economists from the Department of Homeland Security's National Infrastructure Simulation Analysis Center in New Mexico who will co-author a Consequence Analysis Study on a loss of LA 1 for a period of one month, but also a longer period of 75 days. Besides presentations from the port, levee district, and the Coalition, the team of economists heard from oil and gas operators in the Gulf and LOOP, on the specific impacts the industry would face with an outright loss of LA 1. This team is now conducting research, and they will then measure and map the supply chain of oil and natural gas products that are directly supported by Port Fourchon, LOOP, Leeville, and Grand Isle, and will determine the economic impact, by industry sector, as they move through the national infrastructure system. The draft study is due to the Coalition in late November and will be the most comprehensive economic study to date validating the criticality of a functioning LA 1, which will support our efforts in garnering federal funds from Congress. Finally, I will be monitoring an expected announcement tomorrow by the administration on a \$50 billion dollar infrastructure spending proposal.

Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill - Director Chiasson stated that 95% of all the boom in the Lafourche area has been picked up. The boom remaining is in the marsh behind the Wisner properties to protect against any leaching from oil but should be picked up soon. There is also some boom still in place near the Timbalier Islands that had some impact by oil. There is 24 hr. decontamination at Bobby Lynn's South in Leeville. The Vessels of Opportunity (VOO) program is now on a rotation schedule with all larger shrimp boats that are rotating off the job are no longer needed. Soon the VOO program will be reduced to only 25 vessels in Lafourche Parish and those will be vessels that have not worked yet. Most of the contract vessels that were working are being decontaminated and soon will be demobilized. There is also 24 hr. decontamination in Fourchon at C-Port 3 and there are 3 other locations in Port. BP is working with other facilities to have more space for decontamination in the Port. The USCG is reducing over flights in the area from 3 to 1 per day. The helicopter boom retrieval work in the marsh is taking place in this area and is going well picking up the majority of the boom and will continue until all is picked up. USCG will begin to reduce personnel in Fourchon. They are discussing with BP to move all meetings in one location that the USCG is in and have room for EOC workers. At that time, we should see our Operations Center back to normal operations. He stated that with this report, you can see a trend in reduction of numbers, force, and vessels however the beach cleanup is still taking place and should continue until the spring. After that we will see the BP long-term recovery process that will last a few years which we should see this come up by the end the year.

Director Chiasson reported that last Monday he and Mr. Breaux met in New Orleans with a couple of members from the National Oil Spill Committee along with 15 other people from parish presidents to others in the industry to discuss the oil spill, moratorium, and the claims process. He stated that the 2 members from the committee stated that they believe the moratorium should be lifted which hopefully we see in the next month or so then we will have to review the new regulations enforced. We hope to keep on top of that the best way we can. Commissioner Griffin asked if Director Chiasson talked to anyone that was for the moratorium, which Chiasson replied no. Chiasson stated that this afternoon the Chief of Staff of BOEMRE along with others from Washington are coming to talk to us about the Port and the impacts on the industry in the Port.

Committee Reports

<u>Executive Committee</u> - Chairman Griffin reported that the committee met on August 25, 2010 at the Administration Building in Galliano. Present was Larry Griffin, Wilbert Collins, and Jimmy Lafont.

John Melancon was absent. The commission also met on September 7, 2010 at the Administration Building in Galliano. Melancon was absent. The Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the committee meetings.

Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the request from Simmonds Equipment for a Right of First Refusal on site GLF192 pending the final payment of \$2,264.06 from a previous lease agreement.

Chairman Griffin presented for the board's consideration approving the revised Public Tug Dock Agreement. Director Chiasson stated that we are changing the name from Oilfield Service Dock to Public Tug Dock and changing language in the usage agreement. Mr. Autin stated that the changes we discussed are in the indemnity section to protect the port more than we had in the previous agreement and we also discussed changing the name of the dock. The requirements stay the same. Commissioner Cheramie stated that we can pull out uninspected vessels because everything now is inspected. He stated that all vessels are ABS inspected. Mr. Autin stated that the language reads uninspected vessels we don't specify what type of inspection which we have been discussing this for the last 5 years if we can get some clarification. Mr. Autin stated there is no motion on the floor, if the board would rather us present this again at the next meeting after further research of inspected vs. uninspected, which President Griffin agreed to hold off until next meeting. The board decided to discuss further by motion by Wilbert Collins and second by Ervin Bruce, the floor was open for discussion. Commissioner Vizier stated that the uninspected was based on supply vessels that are inspected. He would like to see this commission grow up and realize that these tug boats are using a million dollar dock for nothing not a penny and there are at least 3 lawsuits that the Port's been involved in. So far there is no lawyer that drew up anything that protects us. We are getting sued right, which Mr. Autin replied ves we did get sued but he has drafted a lot of material to protect us. Vizier stated that he would like to see the tug companies pay \$100 a day to cover some of the cost in the lawsuits. Lafont stated that first of all no one on this board needs to grow up we are all grown men. Secondly, this is a service the Port has always furnished for the tugs. He stated that if we had the proper insurance and paperwork done we would have never gotten sued. He believes we are heading that way and the language that will be inserted should take care of us. Cheramie made a motion to hold off on approving this until we verify what is inspected or uninspected. Mr. Autin stated that there is a motion to approve the agreement as is unless they remove their motions. Collins then removed his motion and Bruce removed his second. No action taken.

Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously adopted the CDBG resolution to commit supplemental funding of \$25,000.00 for the S.L. Storm Harbor Marina. The GLPC has been awarded \$400,000.00 in the CDBG Disaster Recovery Fisheries Infrastructure funding and the Lafourche Parish Government has been awarded \$1 million in CDBG Disaster Recovery Long Term Community funding.

Upon motion by Chuckie Cheramie and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously added to the agenda the request from Halo, LLC to assign their sublease to Halo Wire Rope, LLC.

Upon motion by Chuckie Cheramie and second by Jimmy Guidry, the board has no objection to the proposed assignment of the Sublease Agreement from Halo, LLC to Halo Wire Rope, LLC as long as Intermoor has no objection.

Permits & Waterways Committee - Chairman Cheramie reported that the committee met on August 25, 2010 at the Administration Building in Galliano. Present were Larry Griffin, Chuckie Cheramie, and Jimmy Lafont. Perry Gisclair was absent. The committee also met on September 7, 2010 at the Administration Building in Galliano. All members were present. The Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the committee meetings.

Chairman Cheramie presented for the board's consideration on taking action on the sunken vessel in Galliano owned by Mr. Guidry. He recommended continuing with our policy. Director Chiasson stated that we did receive a letter from Mr. Guidry stating his plans however there were no dates or time frame of when this will take place. Mr. Autin stated that the board's options are to either ask him to put a timeline or proceed with removing the vessel. Cheramie recommended going with our policy, which Mr. Autin replied that our policy gives him 30 days to respond which he has, then you have the right to

advertise to remove the vessel. Lafont recommended contacting Mr. Guidry to come up with a timeline then move forward. Cheramie requested an update at the next meeting.

Chairman Cheramie presented for the board's review the permit applications from Lafourche Parish Government, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, and Shell Pipeline Co. Director Chiasson stated that the LPG permit is for the West Belle Pass Headland Restoration project located on the west side of Belle Pass. This is a \$34 million project and NOAA is also a partner. It is a good restoration project for the Port.

<u>Construction & Development Committee</u> — Chairman Bruce reported that the committee met on August 25, 2010 at the Administration Building in Galliano. Present were Ervin Bruce, Larry Griffin, and Donald Vizier. John Melancon was absent. The committee also met on September 7, 2010 at the Administration Building in Galliano. Melancon was absent. Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the committee meetings.

Upon motion by Chuckie Cheramie and second by Jimmy Guidry, the board unanimously adopted the DOTD resolution Accepting the Work for the Dudley Bernard Roadway project.

Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by Ervin Bruce, the board unanimously awarded the low bid for the Northern Expansion Slip B 1100 LF Dredging and Flotation Canal project to Mike Hooks, Inc. in the amount of \$4,147,883.75 which includes the Base Bid of \$1,164,823.75 and the Alternate Bid No. 1 of \$2,983,060.00.

Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Chuckie Cheramie, the board unanimously awarded the lowest responsive bid for the Airfield Perimeter Fence and Gate Improvements Project at the Airport to Liberty Fence and Supply in the amount of \$240,146.80 which includes Base Bid of \$127,700.10, Alternate #2 of \$98,592.00 and Additive Bid of \$13,854.70.

Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously adopted the DOTD resolution for the Aviation Priority Program for funding improvements at the Airport.

Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the Change Order No. 3 from Adesta an increase of \$13,882.80 and 10 additional contract days for the 400 ft. Communications Tower and Foundation project.

Upon motion by Perry Gisclair and second by Ervin Bruce, the board unanimously approved the Change Order No. 1 from Vaisala an increase of 11 contract days for the Localizer project.

Collins gave an update on Melancon's status since he has been in the hospital. The surgery was yesterday and everything seems to be fine.

<u>Finance Committee</u> – Commissioner Guidry reported that the committee met on August 25, 2010 at the Administration Building in Galliano. Present was Larry Griffin, Wilbert Collins, and Jimmy Guidry. John Melancon was absent. The committee also met on September 7, 2010 at the Administration Building in Galliano. Melancon was absent. The Commission then discussed items that were discussed at the committee meetings.

Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the payment of August invoices and recognized the expenditures over \$10,000. Commissioner Lafont questioned when the insurance is due and why paying now, which Mr. Rome replied it is due September 25th and the invoices being paid are fees for the agent.

Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the August Financial Statement.

Commissioner Guidry presented for the board's consideration approving the insurance renewal proposal. Mr. Rome reported that our quotes from our new agent of record AON brought in 10 lines of insurance. Our expiring premium was \$413,000 and our new premium is \$330,000 a savings of \$58,000. A few highlights of the policy are: 1) added automobile policy under excess liability which brings it from 1 million to 9 million; 2) increased public officials from 1 million to 5 million; 3) increased airport liability from 10 million to 25 million; 4) increased police professional liability from 1 million to 5 million; 5) added a new line item in workers compensation for maintenance grass cutters which will save us money. Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously

approved the 2010 insurance renewal premiums as recommended by the administration. Collins stated that we got more insurance coverage and saved \$58,000, which Mr. Rome replied yes.

Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the out of state travel request from Director Chiasson to attend meetings with the U.S. Dept. of Transportation, Congressional Delegation, and Lobbyist in Washington DC on September 22nd.

Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont and second by Jimmy Guidry, the board adjourned the regular meeting.

ATTEST:

Larry Griffin, Preside

Wilbert Collins, Secretary