

**AGENDA**  
**August 8, 2012 at 10:30 AM**  
**Administration Building in Galliano, LA**  
(Revised 8/7/2012 at 9:00 AM)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consider approval of minutes for July 11, 2012 regular meeting and July 19, 2012 special meeting
- V. Executive Director's Report
  - A. Northern Expansion**
    - 1. Slip C Additional Dredging/Slip A Dredging (Picciola & Associates)
    - 2. Guidry Brothers Site Development (Picciola & Associates)
  - B. Airport Projects**
    - 1. Parallel Taxiway "A" South Paving (LPA/Baker)
    - 2. Airport Maintenance Shop (Picciola & Associates)
    - 3. Hangar & Foundation (J. Wayne Plaisance)
    - 4. Glide Slope (LPA/Baker)
    - 5. Airport Master Plan Update (LPA/Baker)
  - C. FEMA Projects**
    - 1. Bathhouse (J. Wayne Plaisance)
    - 2. Beach Repair Project (Picciola & Associates)
    - 3. Debris Fence Repair (Picciola & Associates)
  - D. Port Security and Grant Projects**
    - 1. Camera Networking Improvements (2008)
    - 2. Multi-Agency Emergency Response/Operations Building (2009)
    - 3. Waterside Radar Video Surveillance (2009)
  - E. Other Port Projects**
    - 1. Nerby Collins Steel Bulkhead Repair (J. Wayne Plaisance)
    - 2. Assumption of Maintenance Study (URS)
    - 3. Mooring Dolphins Phase 3 (Angelette-Picciola)
  - F. Update on LA 1 project**
- VI. Committee Reports
  - A. Executive Committee**
    - 1. Consider approving the request from Entergy for a lease at the Airport
    - 2. Consider approving the request from Bollinger for a Right of First Refusal along Slip C
    - 3. Consider approving the request from U.S. Coast Guard to renew lease at Port Complex
    - 4. Consider approving Halliburton Second Amendment of Lease
    - 5. Consider approving the Wisner Seawall Servitude
  - B. Permits & Waterways Committee**
    - 1. Review permit applications by Lafourche Parish Government and Chris Moran's Marina
  - C. Construction & Development Committee**
    - 1. Consider adopting the DOTD resolution certifying compliance with public bid laws for the Additional Dredging of Slip C project
    - 2. Consider adopting the DOTD resolution accepting the work for Slip B/Slip C Dredging project with Pine Bluff
    - 3. Consider approving the Clear Lien Certificate from Low Land for the Martin Slip Bulkhead Repairs
    - 4. Consider approving the Substantial Completion Certificate from Capstone Builders for the Airport Maintenance Shop
    - 5. Consider approving the Change Order from Picciola Construction for the Small Hangar & Foundation project
    - 6. Consider approving the lowest responsive bid for the Debris Fence Repair project
    - 7. Consider rescinding award of Waterside Radar Video Surveillance project to Honeywell Building Solutions
    - 8. Consider approving the award of the Waterside Radar Video Surveillance project to American Integration Contractors
  - D. Finance Committee**
    - 1. Consider approving payment of July invoices and recognize expenditures over \$10,000
    - 2. Consider approving July Financial Statement
    - 3. Consider approving the out of state travel request
- VII. Any other business
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Possible Executive Session
  - A. Discuss pending litigation defined as "Greater Lafourche Port Commission vs. Fourchon Seafood, Suit No.115300 in Division B of the 17<sup>th</sup> JDC-Parish of Lafourche"
  - B. Discuss the "In Re: Oil Spill By the Oil Rig "Deepwater Horizon" in the Gulf of Mexico on April 20, 2010" Eastern District of Louisiana Civil Action No. 10-md-2179
- X. Public Comment
- XI. Adjournment

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION**  
**AUGUST 8, 2012**

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, August 8, 2012 at 10:30 AM at the Administrative Building in Galliano, LA.

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, John Melancon Jr., Jimmy Guidry, and Ervin Bruce

ABSENT: None

Upon motion by John Melancon and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the minutes for July 11, 2012 regular meeting and July 19, 2012 special meeting.

**Executive Director's Report**

Northern Expansion – Engineer Joe Picciola reported that Mike Hooks is on site in Fourchon. The pre-construction meeting is scheduled for today at 2:00 PM. The notice to proceed will be issued for tomorrow to begin dredging. Engineer Picciola reported that the contractor Byron Talbot has driven the piles for the water tank and light pole foundation for the Guidry Brothers Site Development project. They completed the test piles and brought in sand material and currently installing utilities.

Airport Projects – Airport Manager Joe Wheeler reported that Barriere Construction is on site to begin milling for the Parallel Taxiway "A" South Paving. LA Contracting Co. is completing the second lift of rocks along the connectors. They do plan to start paving on Monday. Executive Director Chett Chiasson reported our Airport Engineer the LPA Group has been purchased by Baker Engineers. There are no personnel changes only the name will change. Engineer Joe Picciola reported that the Airport Maintenance Shop is substantially complete and all punch list items are already completed. The Fire Marshal is doing a site inspection today for occupancy approval. Engineer John Plaisance reported that the Hangar & Foundation project is complete and there is a change order on the agenda for additional days due to permitting and weather delays. Wheeler reported that the Glide Slope equipment is currently being advertised with the bid opening scheduled on August 20<sup>th</sup>. There will be a lag time of 6 months to build which during that time he will work on grant funding for generators. Then he will advertising for the actual construction/installation of the glide slope. Wheeler reported that he attended the meeting on August 1<sup>st</sup> for the Airport Master Plan Update which covered inventory, history, and forecasts. He stated that FAA forecast our Airport growth more than any other Airport in Louisiana. He reported that the Airport Operations for the month of July rose from 1625 in June to 1945 in July with 1241 helicopter and 704 fixed-wings. The numbers reflect the 2 other companies doing crew changes at the Airport and included 1 day of runway shut down due to construction. Wheeler reported that he is waiting on a grant from DOTD for Runway Sealcoat & Striping of \$200,000.

Gisclair stated that with the increased numbers the parking area is over filled. He questioned if the Port is still trying to negotiate with the company or plan to make the parking lot larger. Chiasson replied that we are working with the FBO on these issues along with the new Hangar to either the FBO rent them out or the Port. He stated hopefully by the next meeting we will have something for the board. Melancon stated that with the rapid growth has our master plan come to completion or is it always continuing progress, which Wheeler replied that it is continuing progress. The master plan is supposed to cover 20 years. The 2004 original plan will be completed in December. He stated that any time you complete a major project you update the master plan. Cheramie questioned the change from LPA Group to Baker if

we will be dealing with a new group, which Chiasson replied it is the same engineer and planner the only thing that changed is the name.

FEMA Projects – Engineer John Plaisance reported that construction is progressing on the Bathhouse. The contractor is installing the decking and they hope to have the concrete pour next week. Chiasson reported that there is no design update for the Beach Repair Project. We are working on finalizing the servitude agreements with the landowners and the Wisner Servitude is on the agenda for approval today. Port Attorney Bryce Autin reported that there is no update on the Caillouet Servitude. Chiasson stated that we are also working with FEMA since we submitted the improved project request in September 2011 they were waiting on the final servitude agreements with the landowners before approval. We are trying to coordinate with them so the project is not delayed any further from their approval and the servitudes being finalized. Chiasson reported that the bid opening for the Debris Fence Repair was yesterday with 4 bidders. The apparent low bidder was Sea Level Construction in the amount of \$96,742.50. Engineer Joe Picciola reported that all the bids were in order, it is under budget, and he recommended approving to Sea Level.

Port Security and Grant Projects – April Danos reported that the integration with the C-4 System with video analytics training and alerts is complete for the Camera Networking Improvements. The architects are finalizing the construction package for the Multi-Agency Operations Building to present to the board in September and hopefully bid out in October. She reported that the Waterside Radar Video Surveillance project was discussed on Monday night and is later on the agenda for discussion.

Other Port Projects – Engineer John Plaisance reported that the contractor has driven half of the steel sheets for the Nerby Collins Steel Bulkhead Repair. They should be finished in a few days. In regards to the Assumption of Maintenance Study, William Evans with URS reported that the letter to Corps headquarters requesting a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the District office was sent last week. Once we receive the determination to allow the New Orleans District to engage in the MOA, we will negotiate with Mr. Chiasson the terms and conditions to move forward. Engineer Larry Picciola reported that the Mooring Dolphins Phase 3 project bid opening was postponed from August 2<sup>nd</sup> to August 15<sup>th</sup> due to an error on the form. There are 12 bidders interested so we should get good prices.

Update on LA 1 project – Chiasson mentioned that there will be continuous police presence at the intersection in Leeville thru Labor Day either by Harbor Police, Lafourche Parish Sheriff's office, or State Police. Henri Boulet with the LA 1 Coalition updated the board on the new ATPM system performance. DOTD is reporting that it is working very well, except during rainy weather. DOTD is still looking at late September or early October to mount the canopy over the ATPM lane. Also, they plan to keep staff there through the end of August, although traffic during the week is light. Geauxpass sales continue to be up. DOTD's District II Design Section is evaluating intersection geometry options and lane adjustments. Concerning Phase II of the LA 1 Project, DOTD's Real Estate Section is working with the three remaining property owners on R/O/W agreements. Relative to design of Phase II, DOTD anticipates having a refined scope of design for Phase II Segment C in approximately two weeks, following another meeting with the Corps of Engineers. This will help refine what is required in the scope of design. This finalized scope of design will be used to establish the contract with the Phase II design consulting firm, HNTB. Concerning construction funding for Phase II's Segment A, we still do not have results from the Federal Highway Administration request. We continue to work on funding opportunities at the state and federal level. On other highway projects in the area, the contractor taking down the old Caminada Bay Bridge expects to finish in the next two weeks. The new Bayou Lafourche Lift-Span Bridge at Larose is 94% complete, with 98% of the contract time elapsed. The contractor who is installing the control panel is down for the next two weeks connecting the controls and testing the safety measures. The latest estimated completion date is September 30<sup>th</sup>. Finally, on the Prospect Street Bridge in Houma, the project is over 90% complete. The expected completion time is also in September.

Gisclair questioned who are the remaining 3 landowners, which Boulet replied ConocoPhillips, Apache, and the Lafourche School Board.

## **Committee Reports**

Executive Committee - The Committee met on July 25, 2012 at Operations Building in Fourchon. Present was Larry Griffin, Wilbert Collins, Jimmy Lafont. Perry Gisclair was absent. They also met on August 6, 2012 at the Administration Building in Galliano with all members present.

Chairman Griffin presented for the board's consideration the request from Entergy for a lease at the Airport. Chiasson reported that Entergy has a considerable amount of work in 2013 which includes a \$190 million investment on transition lines from Larose to Fourchon. He stated that this site will allow for storage of equipment and work area. Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont to approve the Entergy lease request for one year, which was second by Wilbert Collins, the floor was open for discussion. Vizier questioned if there is a specific area designated, which Chiasson replied yes it is 300 ft. x 900 ft. Some typical operations will be installing large poles in the marsh which they would utilize helicopters which makes this an optimum area. The board then voted which resulted in all yeas.

Upon motion by John Melancon and second by Jimmy Guidry, the board unanimously approved the request from Bollinger for a Right of First Refusal on property for 1 year at the end of Slip C in Fourchon. Gisclair questioned how many acres, which Chiasson replied it is 55.853 acres of waterfront property and 8.403 acres of non-waterfront property.

Upon motion by Perry Gisclair and second by Ervin Bruce, the board unanimously approved the request from U.S. Coast Guard to renew their lease at Port Office Complex next door for 1 year with the option to renew for four years.

Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by Chuckie Cheramie, the board unanimously approved the Halliburton Second Amendment of Lease. Autin stated that this will match up with the new rent and term agreed to with the Caillouet Amendment.

Upon motion by Chuckie Cheramie and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the Edward Wisner Seawall Servitude for the Port Fourchon Beach Geotube project.

Permits & Waterways Committee - The committee met on July 25, 2012 at the Operations Building in Fourchon. Present was Chairman Chuckie Cheramie, Jimmy Lafont, Larry Griffin. Perry Gisclair was absent. They also met on August 6, 2012 at the Administration Building in Galliano with all members present.

Chairman Cheramie presented for the board's review the permit applications from the Lafourche Parish Government and Chris Moran's Marina.

Construction & Development Committee - The committee met on July 25, 2012 at the Operations Building in Fourchon. Present was Chairman Ervin Bruce, Donald Vizier, John Melancon, and Larry Griffin. They also met on August 6, 2012 at the Administration Building in Galliano with Donald Vizier absent.

Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by John Melancon, the board unanimously adopted the DOTD resolution certifying compliance with public bid laws for the Additional Dredging of Slip C project.

Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by Perry Gisclair, the board unanimously adopting the DOTD resolution accepting the work for Slip B/Slip C Dredging project with Pine Bluff.

Upon motion by John Melancon and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the Clear Lien Certificate from Low Land for the Martin Slip Bulkhead Repairs.

Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the Substantial Completion Certificate dated July 25, 2012 from Capstone Builders for the Airport Maintenance Shop.

Upon motion by John Melancon and second by Perry Gisclair, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 for 33 additional days from Picciola Construction Co. for the Small Hangar & Foundation project.

Upon motion by Jimmy Lafont and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the lowest responsive bid from Sealevel Construction in the amount of \$96,742.50 for the Debris Fence Repair project.

Upon motion by Ervin Bruce and second by John Melancon, the board unanimously approved to rescind the award of the Waterside Radar Video Surveillance project to Honeywell Building Solutions. Chiasson stated that during negotiating a contract there have been some personnel changes which caused us to relook at the proposals which results in this recommendation to rescind the award to Honeywell. Melancon stated that they have an open radar system that during April's visit had not operated in 6-12 months. He stated that the new style radar covers more and offers more support service. Upon motion by John Melancon and second by Wilbert Collins, the board unanimously approved the award of the Waterside Radar Video Surveillance project to American Integration Contractors.

Finance Committee - The committee met on July 25, 2012 at the Operations Building in Fourchon. Present was Chairman Jimmy Guidry, Wilbert Collins, John Melancon and Larry Griffin. They also met on August 6, 2012 at the Administration Building in Galliano with all present.

Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by John Melancon, the board unanimously approved payment of July invoices and recognized expenditures over \$10,000.

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

Upon motion by Jimmy Guidry and second by John Melancon, the board unanimously approved the out of state travel requests from Joe Colson to attend the ASIS International Security Seminar in Pennsylvania on September 9<sup>th</sup>, Troy Dufrene and Joe Colson to attend LEDS Suite User Conference in South Dakota on September 19<sup>th</sup>, and up to 10 Commissioners and staff to attend the AAPA 2012 Annual Convention in Alabama on October 21<sup>st</sup>.

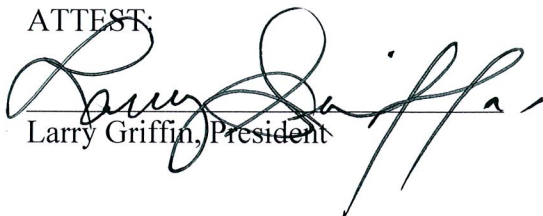
President Griffin opened the floor for any other business. Lafont stated that our mission to help South Lafourche High School change the bridge times for curfew which the board agreed to and he is happy to report the signs were changed yesterday. He thanked Chief Callais and the Harbor Police. The new curfew changed to 6:45 AM to 8:30 AM. Vizier requested to change our policy on reviewing permits in regards to the prop washing and dredging in open areas. He would like to make a motion to quit sending letters of protest against prop washing because it is none of our business. The State and the Parish have agents that deal with this daily we don't need to. Autin recommended getting a unanimous vote to add this to the agenda. Upon motion by Donald Vizier to add the discussion of reviewing permits to the agenda, which was send by Jimmy Guidry, failed by lack of unanimous vote. Cheramie stated that it has to be put on the agenda under Permits & Waterways Committee to be discussed further.

President Griffin opened the floor for public comment. Chris Gaudet announced his candidacy for a seat on the Port Commission board. Seat not identified.

President Griffin presented to the board to enter into executive session to discuss the pending litigation defined as "Greater Lafourche Port Commission vs. Fourchon Seafood, Suit No.115300 in Division B of the 17<sup>th</sup> JDC-Parish of Lafourche" and discuss the "In Re: Oil Spill By the Oil Rig 'Deepwater Horizon' in the Gulf of Mexico on April 20, 2010" Eastern District of Louisiana Civil Action No. 10-md-2179. Upon motion by Chuckie Cheramie to enter into executive session which was second by Perry Gisclair, the two-thirds roll call vote resulted in 9 yeas. The board then exited to meet in session. The board returned from executive session with no action taken.

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

ATTEST:

  
Larry Griffin, President

  
Wilbert Collins, Secretary