Greater Lafourche Port Commission AGENDA

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February 11, 2015 at 10:30 AM Administration Building · 16829 East Main St · Galliano, LA

(Posted: February 6, 2015 at 3:45 PM)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consider approval of minutes for January 14, 2015 regular meeting
- V. Executive Director's Report

A. Northern Expansion

- 1. Northern Expansion Slip C Bulkhead (J. Wayne Plaisance)
- 2. Northern Expansion Slip C Sweep Dredge (J. Wayne Plaisance)

B. Airport Projects

- 1. Glide Slope (LPA/Baker)
- 2. Apron Expansion (LPA/Baker)
- 3. Pump Station Pipe Replacement (Angelette-Picciola)

C. Port Security and Grant Projects

- 1. Cybersecurity and Resiliency (2013)
- 2. Airport Cameras
- 3. Port Wide Sustain & Maintain (2014)
- 4. Risk Mitigation Plan (2014)

D. Other Port Projects

- 1. Assumption of Maintenance Study (URS)
- 2. Storm Harbor Marina (J. Wayne Plaisance)
- 3. N. J. Theriot Road Elevation & Improvements (Angelette-Picciola)
- 4. Nerby Collins Commercial Marina Bulkhead (J. Wayne Plaisance)
- 5. FEMA: Breakwaters (Picciola & Associates)

E. Update from Restore or Retreat

VI. Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee

- 1. Consider approving the request from Nabors Offshore regarding site GLF347
- 2. Consider approving the amendment of lease with Terrebonne Concrete for site GLF110-1
- 3. Consider approving the request from American Integration Contractors to extend lease at Port Complex
- 4. Consider approving the request from SURF Subsea to assign lease GLF620

B. Permits & Waterways Committee

1. Review permit applications from Louisiana Land and Exploration Company and Energy Resource Technology GOM, LLC

C. Construction & Development Committee

- 1. Consider approving the DOTD Sponsorship Agreement for the Apron Expansion project
- 2. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 from Byron E. Talbot for the Apron Expansion project
- 3. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 from Low Land for the Pump Station Upgrade project

D. Finance Committee

- 1. Consider approving payment of January invoices and recognize expenditures over \$10,000
- 2. Consider approving the out of state travel requests
- VII. Any other business None
- VIII. Public Comment None
- IX. Possible Executive Session
 - A. Discuss pending litigation defined as "<u>Richard and Marion Griffin vs. Greater Lafourche Port Commission, Civil Action 14-1364"L" (4) U.S. District Court, Eastern District"</u>
- X. Public Comment None
- XI. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION February 11, 2015

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 10:30 AM at the Administration Building 16829 East Main Street, Galliano, LA.

President Gisclair called the meeting to order and Secretary Cheramie called roll.

ATTENDED: Chuckie Cheramie, Perry Gisclair, Kris Gaudet, Donald Vizier, Wilbert Collins, Larry Griffin, John Melancon Jr., Jimmy Guidry, and Ervin Bruce

ABSENT: None

Upon motion by Melancon and second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the minutes for January 14, 2015 regular meeting.

Executive Director's Report – Davie Breaux, Deputy Port Director will be conducting the meeting since Chett Chiasson is in Washington, DC today. Breaux reported that the Port Commission received the Bayou Industrial Group Award in recognition of growing and strengthening the Bayou Region which shows our leadership as well as good employees we have working here.

Northern Expansion – Engineer John Plaisance reported that the contractor is complete in driving all concrete piles for the Slip C East Bulkhead project. The work remaining to install are deadmen, tie roads, and aggregate which should be complete within a month. The contract end date is February 21st however there will be some rain days to add to the time. Engineer John Plaisance reported that the contractor completed Slip A dredge and should be complete with Slip C Sweep Dredge in 2 weeks.

<u>Airport Projects</u> – Joe Wheeler reported that we are still working to set up the final inspection for the Glide Slope project. For the Apron Expansion project, there is a change order later on the agenda for the extra fabric needed due to soil conditions. There is also the DOTD Sponsorship Agreement to approve for funding of \$750,000. Engineer Larry Picciola reported that the Pump Station project is substantially complete and we are currently in the lien period. There is a change order later on the agenda for the additional stone and balancing quantities. Wheeler reported that the aircraft operations for January was 1990 with a passenger count of 4173.

<u>Port Security and Grant Projects</u> – April Danos reported that we continue to install the hardware and configure systems for the Cybersecurity and Resiliency project. In regards to the Airport Cameras, Entergy will be on site this week to connect the power. We continue to process invoices for the video management and hardware maintenance of cameras as part of the Port Wide Sustain & Maintain project. The request for proposals for the Risk Mitigation Plan are due by March 9th at 2pm.

Other Port Projects – Joe Berlin with URS stated that today he delivered the final draft of the Assumption of Maintenance Study to the Port for review. Once the Port staff submits any comments, he will finalize the report and then submit to the Corps New Orleans District office for final approval. Engineer John Plaisance stated that the Storm Harbor Marina project is substantially complete and the contractor is currently working on the punch list items which include dredging in slips, welding, and recoating. Melancon questioned the completion time, which Plaisance replied a week.

In regards to the N. J. Theriot Road Elevation & Improvements, Engineer Larry Picciola reported that Barriere is on site working on drainage of the cross culverts under the highway and side drains. Once the drainage is complete, they will bring in stone and then asphalt. Gisclair questioned if there are any traffic delays, which Picciola replied there are no issues now. The delays will come when they start bringing in stone. We will keep the tenants updated. Engineer John Plaisance reported that we received bids on January 29th for the Nerby Collins Commercial Marina Bulkhead project. The low bidder was Dolphins Services for \$371,745 which we are waiting the approval from CDBG to award. Engineer Joe Picciola reported that the contracts have been processed with Bertucci for the FEMA Breakwaters

project. A preconstruction meeting is scheduled for next Thursday. Bertucci did say that they are having trouble getting the big boulders however they will get that delivered to Fourchon sometime in April so this project should be complete before hurricane season.

<u>Update from Restore or Retreat (ROR)</u> – Simone Maloz updated the board on what is going on that affects the Port. The CPRA is having its annual plan meeting in Houma tonight. This plan is a guide that they use every year to implement restoration and protection projects for LA. South LA particularly Lafourche and Terrebonne have \$200 million of projects in the plan. Some of the Lafourche projects are: Larose to Golden Meadow, Caminada project which starts phase 2 this spring, long distance sediment pipeline starting from the river in Plaquemines and coming to Lafourche. A few Terrebonne projects are the Morganza to the Gulf and some Barrier Island projects. We will be at the meeting tonight making some supportive comments as well as Joni will be there representing the Port.

Every 5 years, the State updates their master plan and their path forward. ROR does have a seat at that table along with 35 other representatives from across the state. We have seen some previews of the 2017 plan and there are some significant marsh creation projects on both sides of LA 1. Maloz then updated the board on the Caminada project stating that Weeks Marine was awarded the Phase II contract of \$147 million. This is the largest contract that the CPRA has let so far. Weeks Marine will start 7 to 8 miles of work up to Caminada Pass near Elmer's Island access road using the same template as before. It is expected to create 489 acres and 39,000 linear feet by using 5.3 million cubic yards of material from Ship Shoal. Maloz stated that ROR has teamed up with the Port to host a field trip for stakeholders on March 13th. The Caminada Back Barrier Marsh which is a smaller project to compliment the larger project. They are currently doing the surveys and field work and expect to be at 30% design by March. They are close to the point to request funding.

Maloz then updated the board on the oil spill money and funds. The Restore Council that controls the federal money does have a listening session planned for this month. The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation is part of this post spill council and the organization that is paying for this Caminada project from some oil spill money that we are seeing in the ground. ROR has also been working with Joni Tuck on the EPA Ground Level Ozone comments. Ms. Tuck has teamed up with the Port of New Orleans and PAL on this issue. Basically the EPA is trying to lower the average rate of ozone emissions for our area and if it goes below a certain level it would put us in a level called non-attainment which is not where we want to be. Baton Rouge is in this level of non-attainment and there are very strict restrictions for their factories and industrial groups there. We are trying to avoid that and working with PAL, LA Chemical Association, LAMOGA, OMSA, and SCIA to put together comments for the proposed rule and how this will effect this area.

ROR is hosting a meeting in Larose on February 24th at the Larose Civic Center to discuss Flood Risk. CPRA has developed a new website that has many different data layers such as GIS, Flood Risk, Restoration projects, and Economic Assets. She stated that this website allows you to drill down to an address block that can provide estimated flood depths, economic damages, land loss in 10 year increments, master plan projects, infrastructure, transportation and roadway, and some social economic information. Computers will be available at this meeting to go thru this website. Vizier questioned what time it starts, which Maloz replied open house starts at 5:00 pm and the meeting will start at 6:00 pm.

Committee Reports

<u>Executive Committee</u> - The committee met on January 28th in Galliano. Present was Gisclair, Cheramie, Melancon, and Griffin. They also met on February 9th in Galliano with all present.

Chairman Gisclair presented for the board's consideration approving the request from Nabors Offshore regarding site GLF347. Port Attorney Autin stated that no action needed at this time. Nabors is requesting to give 90 day notice to terminate lease and continue on a month to month basis. The impression from the committee is not to agree to a month to month but to inform Nabors that they have a 90 day cancellation clause whenever they wish to exercise it. No action taken.

Upon motion by Collins and second by Cheramie, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the amendment of lease with Terrebonne Concrete for site GLF110-1.

Upon motion by Melancon and second by Bruce, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from American Integration Contractors to extend lease term at the Port Complex.

Upon motion by Cheramie and second by Collins, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from SURF Subsea to assign lease GLF620 to an adjacent lessee.

<u>Permits & Waterways Committee</u> - The committee met on January 28th in Galliano. Present was Chairman Cheramie, Gisclair, Griffin, and Collins. They also met on February 9th in Galliano with all present. Chairman Cheramie presented for the board's review the permit applications from Louisiana Land and Exploration Company and Energy Resource Technology GOM, LLC.

<u>Construction & Development Committee</u> - The committee met on January 28th in Galliano. Present was Chairman Bruce, Gisclair, Griffin, and Vizier. They also met on February 9th in Galliano with all present.

Upon motion by Bruce and second by Gaudet, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the DOTD Sponsorship Agreement of \$750,000 for the Apron Expansion project.

Upon motion by Collins and second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 an increase of \$29,965.10 from Byron E. Talbot Contractors for the Apron Expansion project.

Upon motion by Griffin and second by Bruce, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 an increase of \$17,941.04 from Low Land Construction Co. for the Pump Station Upgrade project.

<u>Finance Committee</u> - The committee met on January 28th in Galliano. Present was Chairman Melancon, Gisclair, Gaudet, and Guidry. They also met on February 9th in Galliano with Guidry absent.

Upon motion by Melancon and second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved payment of January invoices and recognized expenditures over \$10,000 totaling \$4,398,029.97.

Upon motion by Melancon and second by Collins, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the out of state travel requests from Chett Chiasson and board members to attend the 2015 NOIA annual meeting on April 15th in DC, Chett Chiasson and board members to attend the AAPA 2015 Spring meetings on April 20th in DC, and April Danos to attend the USCG Cyber Symposium on March 25th in Connecticut.

President Gisclair opened the floor for any other business. Breaux reported that during Director Chiasson's trip to DC this week he will be thanking our congressional delegation for the additional \$3 million of funding that the Corps will have for the Port Fourchon Bayou Lafourche/Belle Pass dredging and jetty work this year.

Upon motion by Cheramie and second by Gaudet, with no public comment, a two-third roll call vote was taken which resulted in 9 yeas by Cheramie, Gisclair, Gaudet, Vizier, Collins, Griffin, Melancon, Guidry, and Bruce to enter into Executive Session to discuss the pending litigation defined as "<u>Richard and Marion Griffin vs. Greater Lafourche Port Commission, Civil Action 14-1364"L"</u> (4) U.S. District Court, Eastern District". The board then returned with no action taken.

Upon motion by Cheramie and second by Collins, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:10 AM

ATTEST:

Perry Gisclair, President

Harris "Chuckie" Cheramie, Jr., Secretary