

GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

AGENDA

July 12, 2017 at 10:30 AM

Administration Building • 16829 East Main St • Cut Off, LA

(Revised: July 11, 2017 at 9:05AM)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consider approval of minutes for June 12, 2017 special meeting and June 14, 2017 regular meeting
- V. Consider adopting a resolution in memory of Wilbert Collins, Sr.
- VI. Executive Director's Report
 - A. Northern Expansion
 - 1. Northern Expansion Slip C 950 LF West Sweep Dredging (*Angelette-Picciola*)
 - 2. Northern Expansion GLF625 Site Improvements (*Angelette-Picciola*)
 - 3. Northern Expansion Slip C 939' West Bulkhead (*Angelette-Picciola*)
 - 4. Northern Expansion Slip C 1671' East Bulkhead (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - 5. Mitigation Dredge of Slip D (*J. Wayne Plaisance*)
 - B. Airport Projects
 - 1. Update on aircraft operations
 - 2. Taxiway Lighting and Runway LED upgrades (*Duplantis Design Group*)
 - C. Other Projects
 - 1. Section 203 Feasibility Study (*GIS Engineering*)
 - 2. Connector Road (*Angelette-Picciola*)
 - 3. Nerby Collins Marina piling repairs
 - 4. Offshore Anchorage
- VII. Public Comment - None
- VIII. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee
 - 1. Consider approving the Right of First Refusal Amendment with Newpark Drilling for site GLF630
 - 2. Consider approving the request from Lafourche Parish Fire District #3 to renew lease for GLF318
 - 3. Consider approving the request from Lafourche Drainage District#1 to extend office lease at Port Complex
 - 4. Consider approving the Amendment to the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with LA DOTD for the LA 1 Leeville to Golden Meadow (Segment 2C and 2E) project
 - 5. Consider approving an Amendment to the Montco mooring agreement
 - B. Permits & Waterways Committee
 - 1. Consider approving the revised Port Ordinance No. 74 Storm Harbor Marina
 - 2. Review permit from Chevron Environmental Management Company and Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana (CPRA)
 - C. Construction & Development Committee
 - 1. Consider awarding the lowest responsive bid for GLF625 Site Improvements project
 - 2. Consider awarding the lowest responsive bid for Mitigation Dredge of Slip D project
 - 3. Consider accepting the clear lien certificate from Byron E. Talbot Contractor for the Connector Road Entrance Work
 - 4. Consider awarding the lowest quote for Nerby Collins Marina pile replacement project
 - D. Finance Committee
 - 1. Consider approving payment of June 2017 invoices and recognize expenditures over \$10,000
 - 2. Consider approving the June 2017 unaudited financial statements
 - 3. Consider approving the out of state travel requests
- IX. Any other business – None
- X. Adjournment

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION

July 12, 2017

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 10:30 AM at the Administration Office 16829 East Main Street, Cut Off, LA 70345.

Vice President Gaudet called the meeting to order and Secretary Cheramie called roll.

ATTENDED: Chuckie Cheramie, Kris Gaudet, Rodney Gisclair, Mike Callais, Larry Griffin, John Melancon, Jr., Jimmy Guidry, and Ervin Bruce

ABSENT: Perry Gisclair

Upon motion by Griffin second by Melancon, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the minutes for June 12, 2017 special meeting and June 14, 2017 regular meeting.

Upon motion by R. Gisclair second by Cheramie, with no public comment, the board unanimously adopted a resolution in memory of Wilbert Collins, Sr. Gaudet then read the resolution. *“Whereas, the Members of the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission have learned with deep regret and sorrow of the death of Wilbert Collins, Sr. on May 27, 2017; and Whereas, Wilbert served his community through his contributions to the business community, particularly through the oyster industry; and Whereas, Wilbert served the Port Commission as a member since May 1999 and during the past 18 years he has served as Secretary for 9 years; Whereas, it is the desire of the Members of the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission to express to Wilbert’s wife, family and friends their deep and sincere sympathies during this time of grief and sorrow. Therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission that the Members thereof do express to Wilbert’s wife, family and friends their sincere and heartfelt regret and condolences at the death of Wilbert. Be it further resolved that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Wilbert’s wife and family as a small symbol of love and respect from the Members of the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission.* Executive Director also read a letter from Attorney General Jeff Landry sharing his deepest of sympathies to the board and the Collins’ family. *“He strived hard to move the Port forward and help Fourchon become an even greater economic engine. And Collins’ contributions to our State’s oyster industry will certainly never be forgotten.”*

Executive Director’s Report

Northern Expansion – Engineer Larry Picciola reported RLB Contractor’s time ended May 18th for the Slip C 950 LF West Sweep Dredge project. They are halfway through with the dredging and are aware of the time limit. We expect another month for them to be complete. Engineer Picciola reported bids were received yesterday for the GLF625 Site Improvements project. There were 11 bids with the lowest responsive bid from Sealevel Construction in the amount of \$938,990. Hamp’s Construction was the apparent low bid however after further review there was an error with the calculations on the bid. All bids were within 10% of each other. The recommendation is to award to Sealevel. Engineer Picciola reported Sealevel Construction has completed the access road for the Slip C 939 LF Bulkhead project. They plan to mobilize on site this week to start driving concrete piles. The steel piles are being painted. Engineer Joe Picciola reported Slip C 1671’ East Bulkhead is being advertised with bid opening July 26th at 2PM. The pre-bid meeting is scheduled for today at 2PM. Engineer John Plaisance reported bids were received yesterday for Mitigation Dredge of Slip D. There were 6 bids with the lowest responsive bid from Crosby Dredging in the amount of \$1,340,900.

Airport Projects - Richard Osborne reported in June the total aircraft operations were 2,706 with 10,200 passengers and 8,187 vehicles. He reported the Taxiway Lighting and Runway LED upgrades project is being advertised with bid opening July 24th.

Other Projects – Dustin Malbrough with GIS Engineering updated the board on the Section 203 Feasibility Study. He reported with the progress made we expedited the schedule up by 6 months on the

next 2 milestones. In November, we plan to submit the draft EIS to the Corps for their review and approval. The economics status is at 90% complete. After meeting with Chett and Davie, we will also look at including the LNG industry in the report. This will drive us to the tentatively selective plan which also has a deadline in November, and will drive us to the final report. On Monday, we met to kick off with the Water Institute a hydrodynamic modeling component of the study which will tell us the offshore sediments and how it will affect the channel and the cost of maintenance. The cost will be a big driver of the cost ratio because you have to project the maintenance over a 50-year period. We also gave a notice to proceed to our geotech to do the first phase of the work a desktop analysis to make sure no relocation or extension is needed. We are progressing well to meet all our deadlines. As you know our meetings in DC last month also went well. Melancon questioned the economist on the study, which Malbrough stated it is a dual effort between AECOM and JAYMAC Consultants. Jesse McDonald has experience working with the Corps and will draft the report and provide quality assurance to AECOM.

Chiasson stated the clear lien certificate is ready to be approved for the Connector Road Entrance project. Davie Breaux reported the Nerby Collins Marina piling repairs later on agenda for quotes. The low quote was with E&L Enterprises of \$61,758.65 to replace wood pile clusters with 6 steel piles, salvage a few good wood piles to replace broken piles in 3 areas, and repair broken sills and boards on one wharf. Chiasson reported on Offshore Anchorage. The USCG did send letters to regulatory agencies to NOAA and BOEM giving them a draft notice of the proposed ruling with a 30 day commenting period. Afterward there will be a 60 day public notice of the ruling for comments, then it will be complete and the rule made with the official offshore anchorage by October 2017.

Vice President Gaudet opened the floor for public comment. Representative Truck Gisclair reported on the 2017 session. We finally came to a fully funded budget however with the Revenue Estimate Committee and the price of oil fluctuating it looks like we will have another special session later this year to get our spending in line. The task force made suggestions for overhauling the tax system. We were close to constitutional convention which would have allowed us to undo statutory dedicated funds. The highlight was Senator Brent Allain's Senate Bill 61 which would have devastated Lafourche Parish advalorem tax on vessels which is 45% of the parish budget. With additional lobbying efforts of Sheriff Webre, Parish President Cantrelle, Councilmen Lorraine and Melvin, and Assessor Thibodaux, we were able to defeat the bill. Senator Chabert's Senate Bill 148, Act 382 created the waterway dredging and deepening priority program which should put Port Fourchon on the forefront with the state and nation. Deepening the channel is a concern to large vessels in the future and a positive effect for our area. Representative Gisclair stated that he had a bill to re-establish the oyster hatchery in Grand Isle to enhance industry and expand the operations with the sea grant. He also had a few bills that dealt with veterans, disability benefits program, and veterans membership commission to insure more diversity and opportunities are there. House Resolution 178 directing LA Sea Grant to facilitate a study and make recommendations for the creation of a voluntary public recreational servitude for use of waterways. He stated that right now, Apache and some other oil companies have locked people out of traditional fishing areas. We are not saying all areas will be open to the public but we are gathering information from landowners, fishermen, WDLF and agencies to get everyone on the same page. A criminal justice reform package was presented to the Governor which most of it passed. LA has the highest incarceration rate per capita in the world. The whole package dealt with non-violent crimes to reduce the prison population. The gasoline tax never made it to the House floor it died on arrival. We will work to figure out if there are other ways to make this happen. Gisclair will make available to the board the 42 page summary of the session. Griffin questioned non-violent crimes don't go to jail, which Representative Gisclair replied it will reduce sentences if reform and meet certain criteria to be released sooner.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee - The committee met June 28th in Fourchon present was P. Gisclair, Melancon, Cheramie, and Griffin. They also met July 10th in Cut Off with all present.

Upon motion by Cheramie second by Melancon, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Right of First Refusal Amendment with Newpark Drilling Fluids for site GLF630.

Upon motion by R. Gisclair second by Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Lafourche Parish Fire District #3 to renew lease for GLF318.

Upon motion by Bruce second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the request from Lafourche Drainage District#1 to extend office lease at Port Complex.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Bruce, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved an Amendment to the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with LA DOTD for the LA 1 Leeville to Golden Meadow (Segment 2C and 2E) project. Chiasson stated the agreement was signed in 2015 which included an industry match of \$6.6 million including the Port's share of \$200,000. The amendment will change the location of where the money will be spent with hard deadlines for DOTD to build over the next year. The area of Segment 2E is at the 90 degree turn to widen the section.

Upon motion by Griffin second by Cheramie, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved an Amendment to the Montco mooring agreement to allow 2 lift barges to moor in Flotation Canal and extend the term to December 31, 2017.

Permits & Waterways Committee - The committee met June 28th in Fourchon present was Cheramie, P. Gisclair, Griffin, with Callais absent. They also met July 10th in Cut Off with all present.

Cheramie presented for the board's review the revised Port Ordinance No. 74 Storm Harbor Marina. Chiasson stated during Tropical Storm Cindy we did not open the marina but it could have been utilized by vessels, however the ordinance states it couldn't open until Storm Phase 3. We have since revised the ordinance deleting Section 2 in its entirety and replacing same with the following language: "*SECTION 2. The Marina will be activated and available for use either (i) upon the Greater Lafourche Port Commission ("GLPC") entering Storm Phase 1 of the GLPC Hurricane Guide (ie. storm landfall on the gulf coast predicted to occur within ninety-six (96) hours) or (ii) at the direction of the President of the Board of Commissioners. GLPC Storm Phase status is available at www.portfourchon.com.*" Upon motion by Cheramie second by Griffin, the board unanimously adopted the revised Port Ordinance No. 74.

Chairman Cheramie presented for the board's review the permits from Chevron Environmental Management Company and Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana (CPRA).

Construction & Development Committee - The committee met June 28th in Fourchon present was Griffin, P. Gisclair, R. Gisclair, with Bruce absent. They also met July 10th in Cut Off with all present.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously awarded Sealevel Construction, Inc. the GLF625 Site Improvements project with the lowest responsive bid of \$938,990.00.

Upon motion by R. Gisclair second by Guidry, with no public comment, the board unanimously awarded the Crosby Dredging, LLC the Mitigation Dredging of Slip D project with the lowest responsive bid of \$1,340,900.00.

Upon motion by Bruce second by Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously accepted the Clear Lien Certificate from Byron E. Talbot Contractor for the Connector Road Entrance Work.

Upon motion by R. Gisclair second by Bruce, with no public comment, the board unanimously awarded to E&L Enterprises the Nerby Collins Marina Steel Pile Replacement project with the lowest quote of \$61,758.55.

Finance Committee - The committee met June 28th in Fourchon present was Melancon, P. Gisclair, Gaudet, and Guidry. They also met July 10th in Cut Off with all present.

Upon motion Melancon second by Griffin, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved payment of June 2017 invoices and recognized expenditures over \$10,000 which total \$1,229,338.83.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the June 2017 unaudited financial statements.

Upon motion by Melancon second by Cheramie, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the out of state travel requests from Troy Dufrene and Jason Plaisance to attend the Zuercher One User Conference in South Dakota September 12th – 15th, and Davie Breaux to attend the Offshore Wind Executive Summit in Texas August 8th – 10th.

Vice President Gaudet opened the floor for any other business. Chiasson reminded the public that today July 12th to July 14th is the qualification period for the special election to fill Seat E in October. R. Gisclair questioned if there is any update on the Galliano Bridge, which Parish Councilman Daniel

Lorraine stated that it looks complete and should possibly be open by Friday. They were only 120 days over the contract time. Lorraine thanked the board for participating with the fishing pier in Leeville.

Upon motion by Cheramie second by R. Gisclair, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:14AM.

ATTEST:



Perry Gisclair, President

Harris "Chuckie" Cheramie, Jr., Secretary