

GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026 at 10:30AM
Administration Office · 16829 East Main St · Cut Off, LA 70345
(Post Revision: March 17, 2026 at 8:50am)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Opening Prayer
- IV. Roll Call
- V. Approve minutes for February 11, 2026 meetings
- VI. Executive Director's Report
 - A. Northern Expansion
 - 1. Northern Expansion Slip D Bulkhead (*GIS Engineering*)
 - 2. Northern Expansion Slip D Sweep Dredging (*GIS Engineering*)
 - B. Airport Projects
 - 1. Aircraft Operations
 - 2. Airport Connector Road and Bridge (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - 3. New Executive Terminal (*GIS Engineering*)
 - C. Other Projects
 - 1. Fourchon Beach (*Angelette Design*)
 - 2. Fourchon Pavilion Bulkhead (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - 3. Flotation Canal Shoreline Protection (*Picciola & Associates*)
 - 4. Coastal Wetlands Park (*Duplantis Design Group*)
- VII. PUBLIC COMMENT
- VIII. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee
 - 1. Consider approving the right of first refusal lease request from Sea Support Dockside & Logistics for sites GLF320 and GLF321
 - 2. Consider approving the lease request from Smalls Sliders food truck for Lot A on site GLF200
 - 3. Consider approving the lease request from Melange food truck for Lot B on site GLF200
 - 4. Consider requesting revision of LA Revised Statute 34:1651 to increase allowable per diem for Commissioners
 - 5. Consider approving the advertisement for summer employees
 - B. Permits & Waterways Committee
 - 1. Update on ASA Letter Report
 - C. Construction & Development Committee
 - 1. Consider approving the Change Order No. 5 from Dynamic Group for Slip D Bulkhead project
 - 2. Consider adopting the resolution Accepting the Work from Dynamic Group for Slip D Bulkhead project
 - 3. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 from Low Land Construction for the Fourchon Pavilion Bulkhead
 - 4. Consider approving the Substantial Completion Certificate from Low Land Construction for the Fourchon Pavilion Bulkhead
 - D. Finance Committee
 - 1. Consider approving payment of February 2026 invoices and recognize expenditures over \$25,000
 - 2. Consider approving February 2026 preliminary unaudited financial statements
 - 3. Consider approving the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire
- IX. Any Other Business
- X. Public Comment
- XI. Possible Executive Session
 - A. Discuss pending litigation defined as "*Itai Vardi vs Chett Chiasson in his Official Capacity as Executive Director and Custodian of Records of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission, Suit No. C-153889 in Division E of the 17th JDC-Parish of Lafourche*"
- XII. Public Comment
- XIII. Adjournment

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GREATER LAFOURCHE PORT COMMISSION
March 18, 2026

The Board of Commissioners of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 10:30AM at the Administration Office 16829 East Main Street, Cut Off, LA 70345.

President Melancon called the meeting to order. M. Callais recited an opening prayer and Secretary Cheramie called roll.

ATTENDED: Harris Cheramie, Jr., Thomas Pitre III, Jimmy Lafont, Rodney Gisclair Sr., John Melancon, Jr., Reggie Ledet, Chad Callais, Mike Callais, and Kris Callais

ABSENT: None

Upon motion by M. Callais second by Pitre, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved minutes for February 11, 2026 meeting.

Executive Director's Report

Northern Expansion – Engineer John Plaisance reported Dynamic Group completed the Slip D Bulkhead project. There is a balancing change order and the DOTD resolution accepting the work for the board's approval. We are meeting with DOTD on site tomorrow for final inspection. Engineer John Plaisance reported bid opening for the Slip D Sweep Dredging project is March 25th. The mandatory pre-bid meeting was held last Tuesday with 7 contractors in attendance.

Airport Projects – Davie Breaux reported aircraft operations for the month of February were 1423, with 8542 passengers, and 18,308 vehicles. Engineer Joe Picciola reported on the Airport Connector Road and Bridge project. Sealevel Construction has the lift span in place. They have completed the concrete approach on the LA 1 side and working on the sidewalks. They will work on the concrete approach on LA 308 next week. They are working on electrical and control items. The current completion is set for mid to late June. Executive Director Chett Chiasson stated once we get an updated schedule, we can present an update at a Parish meeting. Engineer John Plaisance reported B.E.T. Construction is making progress working on the interior A/C duct work, ceilings, and painting for the New Executive Terminal. They are scheduled to be complete in June. Breaux stated the sewer plant was delivered and being installed today.

Other Projects – Engineer Neil Angelette reported Onshore Materials is 60% complete on the Fourchon Beach project. President Melancon requested the board do a site visit next week. Engineer Joe Picciola reported Low Land Construction is substantially complete and there is a final balancing change order an increase of \$2,326.31. Engineer Joe Picciola reported Rigid Constructors is working on submittals for the Flotation Canal Shoreline Protection project. They will begin surveying within the next few weeks. We requested an update on rock delivery. They should be on site at the beginning of April. Engineer Chad Danos reported Grand Isle Shipyard has erected the steel for the Coastal Wetlands Park Improvements. He stated this work will continue for the next 3-4 weeks. They are also forming up the sidewalk trail and then pouring concrete. They are scheduled to be complete mid to late May. The only item that may be delayed is the delivery and install of the ADA lift which we may come back and install once delivered. President Melancon opened the floor for any public comment, there was none.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee - The committee met on February 25th and March 16th in Cut Off. Present were Melancon, Cheramie, M. Callais, and Lafont.

Upon motion by C. Callais second by K. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the right of first refusal lease request from Sea Support Dockside & Logistics for sites GLF320 and GLF321.

Upon motion by Gisclair second by Cheramie, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the lease request from Smalls Sliders food truck for Lot A on site GLF200.

Upon motion by Pitre second by Ledet, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the lease request from Melange Food Truck for Lot B on site GLF200.

Upon motion by M. Callais second by C. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved to request the revision of LA Revised Statute 34:1651 to increase allowable per diem for Commissioners from \$150 to \$250.

Upon motion by Cheramie second by Lafont, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the advertisement for summer employees. Chiasson stated applications will be received until May 8th. He stated last year we hired 6 roustabouts and 2 clerical with starting pay at \$12 per hour.

Permits & Waterways Committee – The committee met on February 25th and March 16th in Cut Off. Present were K. Callais, Cheramie, C. Callais, and Melancon.

Chairman K. Callais presented for the board an update on the ASA Letter Report. Chiasson stated this report is the feasibility study to deepen the Port from 27' to 33'. The letter report was sent to OMB on March 6th which started a 60-day review by OMB, once approved they will send it back to the ASA office to send with transmittal letter to Congress that all conditions have been met.

Construction & Development Committee - The committee met on February 25th and March 16th in Cut Off. Present were Ledet, K. Callais, Pitre, and Melancon.

Upon motion by Ledet second by C. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 5 from Dynamic Group for Slip D Bulkhead project to decrease the contract price by \$82,178.50.

Upon motion by Ledet second by Gisclair, with no public comment, the board unanimously adopted the resolution accepting the work from Dynamic Group for Slip D Bulkhead project.

Upon motion by Ledet second by C. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved Change Order No. 1 from Low Land Construction for the Fourchon Pavilion Bulkhead to increase the contract price by \$2,326.31.

Upon motion by Ledet second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Substantial Completion Certificate dated March 9, 2026 from Low Land Construction for the Fourchon Pavilion Bulkhead.

Finance Committee - The committee met on February 25th and March 16th in Cut Off. Present were Gisclair, M. Callais, Pitre, and Melancon.

Upon motion by Gisclair second by M. Callais, with no public comment, the board approved payment of February 2026 invoices and recognized expenditures over \$25,000 which total \$3,388,988.49. The vote resulted in 8 yeas and 1 abstain by C. Callais.

Upon motion by Gisclair second by Cheramie, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the February 2026 preliminary unaudited financial statements.

Upon motion by Gisclair second by C. Callais, with no public comment, the board unanimously approved the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire.

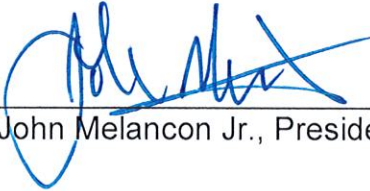
President Melancon opened the floor for any other business. Chiasson showed the board a photo of the newly coated Airport Hangar flooring.

President Melancon opened the floor for any public comment. M. Callais announced the Rotary Club annual crawfish boil-off will be this Saturday at Oakridge Park in Golden Meadow. Also, the grand opening ceremony for the Lady of the Sea General Hospital is this Sunday at 1:30PM.

President Melancon presented to the board to enter into executive session to discuss the pending litigation defined as *"Itai Vardi vs Chett Chiasson in his Official Capacity as Executive Director and Custodian of Records of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission, Suit No. C-153889 in Division E of the 17th JDC-Parish of Lafourche"*. Upon motion by Cheramie second by Gisclair, with no public comment, a roll call vote resulted in 9 yeas by Cheramie, Pitre, Lafont, Gisclair, Ledet, Melancon, C. Callais, M. Callais, and K. Callais. The board exited the room, then returned with no action taken.

Upon motion by Lafont second by Pitre, the board adjourned the meeting at 11:02AM.

ATTEST:



John Melancon Jr., President



Harris Cheramie Jr. Secretary