

OFFICIAL PROCEEDING
OF
SOUTH LAFOURCHE LEVEE DISTRICT
MAY 10, 2010

The Board of Commissioners of the South Lafourche Levee District met in a regular session at its regular meeting place, 17904 Highway 3235, Galliano, Louisiana, on Monday, May 10, 2010, at three (3:00) o'clock p.m., pursuant to the provisions of a notice of regular session duly promulgated and posted in accordance with the law.

The regular meeting for the month of May was called to order by President Ronald Callais. He directed the secretary to call roll.

Board members present: Ronald Callais
 Clarence "CJ" Marts, Jr.
 Bob Faulk
 Roy Gisclair
 Monty Vegas
 Robert "Bobby" Eymard, Sr.
 Lula Auenson
 Mitch Danos
 Ernest J. "E.J." Gremillion

Board members absent: None

Also present were: Executive Secretary and General Manager Windell Curole; Administrative Assistant 5 Mary Punch; Levee Board Operations Superintendent Jimmy Badeaux; Engineering Personnel Joe Picciola, Ben Hodson, Brad Adams, Neil Angelette, and John Plaisance; North Lafourche Conservation Levee and Drainage District Dwayne Bourgeois; Corps personnel Joey Wagner, Maude Johnson and Bill Foret; and news media.

READING OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the April 12, 2009 Regular Meeting, along with the minutes of the Special Meetings of April 20 and May 5, 2010, were approved unanimously upon a motion of Bob Faulk and seconded by Bobby Eymard.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

ALBL WORKSHOP BRIEF

President Ronald Callais briefed the board on the workshop that was attended by seven board members attended and three staff the week before. He added that the meetings, especially those conducted by people from the Netherlands, were informative and interesting.

APPROVAL TO ADD DEEPWATER HORIZON OIL SPILL TO AGENDA

President Callais called for a vote to deviate from the agenda and add the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.

Moved by Lula Auenson, seconded by Monty Vegas and unanimously accepted, the board agreed to add the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill to the agenda.

DEEPWATER HORIZON OIL SPILL – REQUEST FOR GENERAL MANAGER’S ASSISTANCE

General Manager Windell Curole requested the board approve and authorize Mr. Curole to offer his assistance to the Parish and State to help with the problems presented by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

On a motion of Roy Gisclair, seconded by Mitch Danos and unanimously accepted, the board authorized the following:

Because General Manager Windell Curole has experience in coastal zone issues, fisheries and coastal protection and restoration, the board authorizes Mr. Windell Curole to work with the Parish of Lafourche and the State of Louisiana on the unprecedented problem with the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

DEEPWATER HORIZON OIL SPILL – REQUEST FOR USE OF SLLD RESOURCES

Mr. Curole requested the board allow, under the recommendation of President Callais, to use the SLLD resources, should it become necessary, to help with the oil spill. President Callais also requested that he be authorized to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement, if necessary.

On a motion of Bob Faulk, seconded by Lula Auenson and unanimously accepted, the board authorized the following:

Upon the recommendation of President Ronald Callais, should it become necessary, the South Lafourche Levee District will use its resources to help with the Deepwater Horizon oil spill and will enter into any Intergovernmental Agreement necessary to accomplish the work needed.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

There were no comments from the audience.

GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

C-NORTH LEVEE WALLS

General Manager Windell Curole presented a slide show and briefed the board on the areas of concern with the recent oil spill in the gulf. Mr. Curole also updated the board on the progress of recent projects including the new height of the levee which is now five feet higher than the walls in C-North. He added that steel sheet pilings will be added to the existing walls making them higher and stronger.

WATER LINE OVER LEVEE

Mr. Curole stated the water line going over the levee was previously approved and that the Corps has no problems with this work.

CONOCO-PHILLIPS ASSIGNMENT (DELAY RENTAL) – A/G OPINION SOUGHT

We received a payment for a delay rental of property in Hackberry Bay. Attorney Bryce Autin has sent a request for an Attorney General Opinion on whether this money is to be shared with Lafourche Basin Levee District.

CORPS LEVEE INSPECTION MEETING

The Corps will be meeting with SLLD personnel on May 28th at the Crawfish Farms to discuss levee inspections. The new elevations are now at 13’ 8” in this area.

CORPS REPORTS FOR LOCAL WORK

Mr. Curole is working with engineers Neil Angelette and Joe Picciola on getting something to the Corps.

LOCK OPERATIONS

Mr. Curole stated the lock is working out well for the boating interest. There have been no complaints from boaters. We will review placing bumpers on the four pilings for the boats to tie up to.

FEDERAL BUDGET REQUEST

We have requested \$18M for the Larose floodwall project. There is one section that is below 7 ft. We would like to bring it up to 13 ft. At this time the Corps is reviewing a plan to increase the wall to 10.5 ft. which will be a big improvement. Mr. Curole explained that \$18M will not increase the entire wall, but will provide improvements for the most critical sections.

CLOVELLY LETTER – BOAT LAUNCH

A letter was received from Clovelly explaining that even though the problem has not been resolved, they have no immediate plans to close the boat launch.

ALLAIN-LEBRETTON AGREEMENT

The agreement is complete.

ENGINEERING REPORT

OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS

No one was in attendance from the Office of Public Works.

CORPS OF ENGINEERS

Corps of Engineers Maude Johnson reported on the following projects:

- C-North Pipelines – we have reviewed plans and spec, and comments have been entered into Dr. Check.
- GM Pump Station – the decision document from environmental states no significant impacts. We will be ready to advertise in August and contract will be awarded in Sept. This will bring the elevation up to 13.8 ft.
- Cooperative Endeavor Agreement will soon be signed by Col. Alvin Lee. Upon its execution, we will start right-of-way requests. This is for repairs to damage from Hurricanes Gustav and Ike in Sections D-North and South, E-North and the mitigation levee. This will be approximately \$5M worth of work.

PROJECT ENGINEERS

PICCIOLA & ASSOCIATES

Program Manager Ben Hodson gave the following report:

- **Leon Theriot Lock Completion Phase**
 - We continue corresponding with the contractor about claims issued.
 - Change Order 03 in the amount of \$24,485.56 is on the agenda for approval.

On a motion of Bobby Eymard, seconded by Roy Gisclair and unanimously accepted, the board approved Change Order 03 in the amount of \$24,485.56.

- Application for Payment 24 in the amount of \$15,249.56 is in order and we recommend it for payment.

On a motion of Monty Vegas, seconded by EJ Gremillion and unanimously accepted, the board approved Payment 24 in the amount of \$15,249.56.

- **LT Lock - Elevation of South Floodgate**
 - All work was completed on April 26, 2010. The Certificate of Acceptance is on the agenda for approval.

On a motion of Clarence Marts, seconded by Lula Auenson and unanimously accepted, the board approved the Certificate of Acceptance for the Elevation of the South Floodgate.

- Change Order 02 in the amount of -\$60,459.94 is on the agenda for approval.

On a motion of Monty Vegas, seconded by Mitch Danos and unanimously accepted, the board approved Change Order 02 in the amount of -\$60,459.94.

- Application for Payment 4 in the amount of \$195,334.39 is in order and we recommend it for payment; and
- Application for Payment 5 in the amount of \$42,768.82 is in order and we recommend it for payment.

On a motion of Bobby Eymard, seconded by Bob Faulk and unanimously accepted, the board approved Payment 4 in the amount of \$195,334.39, and Payment 5 in the amount of \$42,768.82.

- **CIAP – Small Dredge (Lafourche Parish)**

This project will be complete in two weeks. The Parish has decided to add an additional 200,000+ of materials in a change order.

- **Levee Improvements – “B” South/ “A” West**

- We have completed the surveying and drafting of the existing cross sections.
- We received a proposal from the geotechnical firm last Friday.
- After the proposal is signed, the next step would be to take six additional soil borings.

- **Levee Improvements – “E” South**

- We have completed the surveying and drafting of the existing cross sections.
- The Geotechnical Engineers have completed the field work needed for a borrow investigation.
- The Geotechnical Firm is currently working on their analysis. They are running two separate analyses so that we can determine the most cost effective option.

- **Debris Removal**

- Application for Payment 2 for retainage in the amount of \$14,233.05 is in order and we recommend it for payment.

On a motion of Mitch Danos, seconded by Bob Faulk and unanimously accepted, the board approved Payment 2 in the amount of \$14,233.05 for retainage on the Debris Removal project performed by Lemoine Industrial.

J. WAYNE PLAISANCE, INC.

Engineer John Plaisance reported the following:

We will be handling the engineering for the Lafourche Parish Water District concerning the 36” waterline over the levee. This work will probably not begin until after hurricane season. A contractor will not be on site until October or November.

- **The East Golden Meadow Retention project**

We have discussed the rights-of-way with the attorney. We have prepared preliminary maps for him and he doing research. He mentioned an alternate, but we have not had the chance to present it to the levee district. The permitting process should take three to four months, after which we should have the rights-of-way, and ready to start construction by September.

LEVEE IMPROVEMENTS – ANGELETTE-PICCIOLA, LLC

Engineer Neil Angelette reported the following:

- **Section A-East – Raising to +16’ (Present elevation is 13’)**

Weeks Marine, Inc. has some minor grading work to complete this project. We made a final inspection last month, and we are recommending substantial completion as of April 15, 2010.

Moved by Lula Auenson, seconded by Bobby Eymard and unanimously carried, the board approved substantial completion for this project.

- **Section D-South – Raising to +13.5'**
Manson Gulf, LLC is proceeding with this project which is scheduled to be complete by the middle of this year.
- **Section C-North Pipeline Walls – Raising to 15' (Present elevation is 8,8 & 9')**
We are requesting approval from the State to begin advertising next week and to receive bids in late June. The pipeline companies and Corps should be completing their reviews next week.
- **Section E-North – Raising to +13' (Present elevation is 10')**
We are proceeding with the design and drawings for the levee improvements in this area and anticipate having plans and specifications complete this month.
- **C-South and B-North Levee Improvements**
We are working on the design for this project to provide additional material to raise these levees up to +13' for C-South and +14' for B-North. Plans and specifications for this project will be complete this month.

LEGAL, PERMITS, AND RIGHT-OF-WAYS COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Mitch Danos announced that ten (10) permit requests were received for review and none interfered with the levees.

On a motion of Mitch Danos, seconded by Bob Faulk and unanimously carried, the board approved Letters of No Objection for the following requests:

1. PETROGULD CORPORATION

CUP NO: P20100327

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, LA; Lat 29° 19' 25"N / Long -90° 14' 18"W (NAD 83); X = 2,349,022', Y = 240,498' (NAD 27); X = 3,629,823', Y = 301,204' (NAD 83); Section 28 T20S R22E.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed well location, hydraulic maintenance dredging and structures to serve the Plum Prospect. Approximately 2 acres (21,602 cubic yards) of water bottoms will be excavated by hydraulic dredging of a slip (750' in length and 160' in width) and placed on approximately 26.3 acres of adjacent existing spoil bank and marsh. All vessels to be used in this proposed project will have a maximum fully loaded draft of 7'. The proposed access route for this project is Bayou Lafourche. All water depths within Bayou Lafourche are greater than 8'. *Approximately 2 acres of water bottoms and 26.3 acres of existing spoil bank.

2. LOUISIANA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

CUP NO: P20040146

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, LA; northern connector is located at Lat 29° 14' 50"N, Long 90° 12' 25"W; from LA 3235 in Golden Meadow to LA 3090 in Fourchon along existing LA Hwy 1; Barataria and Terrebonne Basins.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed to construct a four lane, fully controlled access (toll), elevated highway, approximately 17 miles of length, generally paralleling existing LA 1. The width of the southbound structure will be 42'6" and the width of the northbound structure will be 40' 6". A 150' wide Right of Way will be required for the proposed project. Access points will be located at LA 3235 in Golden Meadow, LA 3090 in Fourchon, and two connector roads located north and south of Leeville, LA. Connector roads will be constructed to tie the proposed highway in with existing LA 1. At grade intersections will be constructed at LA 3235 in Golden Meadow and LA 3090 in Fourchon. The connector roads will be 42' 6" in width. The connectors will tie into the proposed mainline via elevated on and off ramps. Ramps will be 27'6" in width. High level bridges will be constructed over Bayou Lafourche/Southwest Louisiana Canal, Bollinger Canal, Boudreaux Canal and two unnamed canals. The construction of the Bayou Lafourche Bridge at Leeville, the north and south connectors and associated ramps and at-grade intersection at existing LA 1 will require either ; 1) the construction of an 84' wide 7' deep canal adjacent to the structure being built or 2) the construction

of a (up to)375' canal centered on the project centerline. End-on construction techniques will be utilized for the construction of the segment between the south connector and Fourchon and the north connector to Golden Meadow. Temporary staging yards will be constructed at the tie-in location at the existing LA 1 (south connector and LA 3090). One staging yard will be constructed east of the existing Leeville Bridge. These staging areas will be either converted into wetlands or returned to the original habitat type upon completion of the project. Approximately 871,000 cubic yards of material will be relocated and redeposit on site. Approximately 260,000 cubic yards of material will be hauled in and used as fill. Approximately 134.2 acres of wetland habitat may be impacted as a result of this activity.

3. DYNAMIC EXPLORATION PARTNERS LLC

CUP NO: P20080520

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, LA; Approximately 3 mile southwesterly of Garden City, LA; in the Garden City Field. Section 24, T15S-R9E. Lat 29° 43' 43.5" N, Long 91° 29' 32.7"W (NAD 83); X = 1,949,543', Y = 386,182, (NAD 27).

DESCRIPTION: Proposed propwashing of an existing slip (160' x 345') for temporary drill barge placement in order to drill the Williams Land Company, LLC Well No. 1. Upon successful completion a well head protector (7' x 16') will be installed. Approximately 7,156 cubic yards of native material will be propwashed. No additional dredge or fill are required for this project.

4. APACHE CORPORATION

CUP NO: P20080308

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, LA; Approximately 2.3 miles southwesterly of Golden Meadow, LA; Sections 1 and 2. T20S-R21E. The POB for the flowlines is Lat 29° 22' 39"N, Long 90° 17' 39"W and the POE is Lat 29° 22' 26"N, Long 90° 17' 28"W.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed installation of two 3-inch flowlines (2,181'), an 8' x 16' heater platform, and a 100' x 3' walkway to serve the Apache Corporation-SL 378 No 146 Well. Approximately 1,995' of flowlines will be laid on the marsh surface, approx 186' will be buried a minimum of 12 feet below the water bottom of a canal. Approx 165 cubic yards of native material will be temporarily displaced.

5. APACHE CORPORATION

CUP NO: P20080304

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, LA; Approximately 2.3 miles southwesterly of Golden Meadow, LA; Sections 1 and 2. T20S-R21E. The POB for the flowlines is Lat 29° 22' 28"N, Long 90° 17' 14"W and the POE is Lat 29° 22' 25"N, Long 90° 17' 26"W.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed installation of two 3-inch flowlines (1,652'), an 8' x 16' heater platform, and a 100' x 3' walkway to serve the Apache Corporation-Laterre No. 312 Well. Approximately 948' of flowlines will be laid on the marsh surface, approx 544' will be buried a minimum of 4 feet below the shallow water bottoms, and approx 160' of native material will be temporarily displaced.

6. MARITECH RESOURCES INC

CUP NO: P20100375

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, LA; S.L. PP 192 No. 333 @ Lat 29° 05'06.3"N / Long 90° 17' 22.3"W (NAD 83); X=2,333,458' / Y=153,592' (NAD 27; S.L.PP 192 No. 334 @ Lat 29° 05' 06.2"N / Long 90° 17' 22.3"W (NAD 83); X=2,333,461' / Y=153,585' (NAD 27); Begin Dredging @ Lat 29° 05'32.6"N / Long 90° 17' 36.5"W; Location in Timbalier Bay approximately 6 miles west-southwest of Port Fourchon.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed maintenance dredging of 70' x 3,069 existing channel, 90' x 90' wing, and construction of a 160' x 345'. Upon successful completion of the wells, 7' x 16' Well Head Protector structure will be installed. Four spoil piles, measuring 70' x 1,121'x 210' x 200', 210' x 263', and 210' x 452', and will have the spoil placed at a height of 0.5', and two spoil piles, measuring 40' x 500' and 70' x 534' (maximum length) will have the spoil placed at a height of 7.0'. Approximately 20,926 cubic yards of native material will be excavated and used as fill. No other dredge or fill required. *Approximately 13.22 acres of non-vegetated waterbottoms may be impacted as a result of this proposed activity.

7. MARITECH RESOURCES INC**CUP NO: P20100381**

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, LA; Approximately 6.5 miles west-wouthwest from Fourchon in Timbalier Bay. Well No. 335 is located at Lat 29° 05' 05.6"N, Long 90° 17' 25.7"W (NAD83); x=2,333,152', y=153524' (NAD27). Well No 336 is located at Lat 29° 05'05.7"N, Long 90° 17'25.7"W (NAD83); X=2,333,154', Y=153,531' (NAD27).

DESCRIPTION: Proposed construction of an open water slip to drill two wells, the SL PP192 Wells No. 335 and 336. A total area of ~500' x 230' will be impacted from bucket dredging and material placement. Approximately 10,074 cu yards of water bottom will be impacted by this proposed project.

8. TENNESSEE GAS PIPELINE CO**CUP NO: P20100387**

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, LA; POB Pipeline Abandonment at the TGP Bay Marchand Block 5 Platform @ Lat 29° 03' 23.33"N / Long 90° 15' 08.07"W; State/Federal Water Boundary / Coastal Zone Boundary @ Lat 29° 01' 42.10"N / Long 90+0176 15' 17.66"W; POE Pipeline Abandonment (outside the Coastal Zone) @ Lat 28° 51' 21.72"N / Long 90° 22' 37.95"W' Located approximately 13.5 miles southerly of Leeville, LA.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed removal of pipeline riser and abandonment of 12" pipeline. Approximately 10,280' of pipeline will be abandoned in State Waters/the Coastal Zone. Approximately 22 cubic yards of native material will be displaced through project activities. *Approximately 0.1 acres of non-vegetated water bottom may be impacted as a result of this proposed activity.

9. TENNESSEE GAS PIPELINE CO**CUP NO: P20100310**

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, This pipeline begins approx. 3.5 miles southwesterly of Leeville south of Hackberry Bay, and ends in the Gulf of Mexico (Bay Marchand Area, Block 3). Site A is Lat 29° 12' 54.91"N, Long 90° 15' 04.33"W; Site B is at Lat 29° 08' 30.70"N, Long 90° 13' 47.40"W; Site C is at Lat 29° 06' 02.27"N, Long 90° 11' 56.50"W; and Site D is at Lat 29° 04' 26.69"N, Long 90° 10' 20.80"W.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed abandonment of a 6-inch pipeline (~11.3 miles; installed in 1955), and the removal of platforms, structures, piling and pipeline segments at four site along the route, At Site A, one riser will be removed. At Site B, all structures (one platform, one boat dock, and two risers) will be removed. At Site C, all structures (one platform, one heliport platform, one walkway one boat dock and two risers) will be removed. At Site D, no structures will be removed. A total of ~200 cubic yards of water bottom material will be excavated and then backfilled to cut and cap the pipeline at each of the four sites. *Approximately 0.05 acres on non-vegetated water bottom will be temporarily impacted for this project.

10. NAQUIN, LORISE**CUP NO: P20100228**

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, LA; Approximately 1 mile southeast of Larose, on Bayou L'eau Bleu; Lat 29° 32' 58.83"N, Long 90° 24' 51.30"W.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed dredging and construction of a 114' x 42' earthen plug on Bayou L'eau Bleu near Larose. Approximately 1,186 cubic yards of water bottom material will be excavated and used to construct the earthen plug to help control saltwater intrusion. *Approximately 0.35 acres of unvegetated water bottom will be temporarily impacted by this proposed project.

BOARD ATTORNEY

Attorney Bryce Autin was not in attendance.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

INVOICES

Chairman Roy Gisclair announced that the Finance Committee had reviewed the invoices. He advised that the invoices were in order and recommended they be paid.

On a motion of Roy Gisclair, seconded by Lula Auenson and unanimously carried, the board approved the payment of the invoices as presented.

MAINTENANCE & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

Chairman Clarence Marts announced that no bids were received in the sale of the used diesel generator. We will re-advertise at a later date.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Chairman Monty Vegas reported that the committee had met earlier and approved the following:

- Move Mark Barker from Mobile Equipment Operator 2-Heavy (dragline operator) to Mobile Equipment Operator 1-Heavy (dozer operator)
- Reallocation of Cody Guidry to Mobile Equipment Operator 2
- Office of Group Benefits Annual Enrollment: May 3-21, 2010

A new plan is being offered this year in addition to the current HMO plan. The new plan has low premiums with high deductibles and contains a Health Savings Account (HSA). Administrative Assistant Mary Punch explained that she spoke with the employees about the new health plan. They were given information to take home and review, and they will make their decision on which plan they choose before the enrollment deadline.

OLD BUSINESS

REMOVAL FROM CIVIL SERVICE

Mary Punch updated the board on the status of removal from Civil Service. Civil Service has received our request and everything is fine. Mrs. Punch spoke to Liz Joiner of Civil Service and was told that a letter would be sent to the levee district soon verifying our removal. The next step in the process would be to receive instructions from Betty Davis on removal of the employees from classified service. We anticipate this process to be complete by July 1, 2010.

Dwayne Bourgeois of North Lafourche Levee District filed an appeal on the FIRM (Flood Insurance Rate Maps). We are now waiting to hear back from them. There is nothing definite as of yet.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss.

With no further business to discuss, the board unanimously adjourned the meeting.

/s/Ronald Callais, President

/s/Windell A. Curole, Executive Secretary