

PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREATER NEW ORLEANS EXPRESSWAY COMMISSION, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2014, 10:00 A.M., GNOEC CONFERENCE ROOM, VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA BUILDING, 3939 NORTH CAUSEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 400, METAIRIE, LA

PRESENT: Michael R. Lorino, Jr., Chairman; Stephen G. Romig, Vice Chairman; Anthony V. Ligi, Jr., Treasurer; Tommy S. Cvitanovich, Secretary;

ABSENT: Lawrence M. Rase, Assistant Secretary Treasurer

OTHERS: Carlton Dufrechou; Debbie Lopreore; Melissa M. Phillipott; Georgie Bagnetto; Chief Nick Congemi; Perry Daigrepoint; Red Thompson; Robert Graham; Cary Bourgeois & Gavin Gillen, GEC, Inc; Craig Watson, Blue Williams; Bill Murhammer; Andrew Jenkins, Burk-Kleinpeter; Jim Lynch & Kathy Gambino, Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Svc.; Steve Bowes, Sisung Securities; Byron Poydras, Bank of New York; Robert Rhoden, Times Picayune

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

On the motion by Lorino, seconded by Romig, the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 3, 2014 were accepted as written. Capt. Lorino, Mr. Romig, Mr. Ligi, and Mr. Cvitanovich voted in favor of the motion.

For the Causeway Police Charitable foundation, Mr. Gavin Gillen reported that the skeet shoot is scheduled for Friday, October 10, 2014 at 9:00 am. Mr. Gillen stated there are spots open and would like everyone to join the fun.

On the Drawbridge operations, Mr. Dufrechou reported there were 7 vessel openings, 1 pin motor incident, 1 drive fault incident and 2 test openings in the last month.

Mr. Dufrechou reminded everyone that the wooden boat festival is this weekend.

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Mr. Dufrechou reported that until this morning we have not had any fog. He stated that the Fog advisory started this morning.

Mr. Dufrechou reported that Police and MAP responded to 209 breakdowns on the Causeway Bridge and 29 breakdowns on the Huey P. Long. Mr. Dufrechou reported there were 6 accidents on the Causeway Bridge. He stated 2 were south bound, 3 were Northbound and 1 in a crossover. He reported 16 accidents on the Huey P. Long. Mr. Dufrechou reported that 12 were on the east bank and 4 on the west bank.

Mr. Dufrechou reported that the striping was started on September 4th. He confirmed with Mr. Bourgeois that the contractors are still on schedule to finish at the end of November. Mr. Bourgeois confirmed and stated he had not heard anything to the contrary.

Mr. Dufrechou stated on September 12th there was a water spout spotted on the west side of the Causeway Bridge.

Mr. Dufrechou also showed a video of a trailer fire that happened on September 15th. He stated our Police and MAP responded to extinguish the fire. Mr. Dufrechou stated that a truck had broken down on the South bound span and the commuter had gotten out of the truck to flag traffic. No one was injured in this incident.

Mr. Dufrechou stated on September 24th there was a breakdown on the South bound bridge. He stated that as the commuter was waiting for assistance, another vehicle behind him ran into the rear end of the truck. Mr. Dufrechou reported that rescuers had to cut the female in the second car out of her vehicle. He stated that she had suffered 2 broken legs and a broken arm as a result of this accident. The commuter was air lifted

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off of the bridge to the hospital where she is in stable condition. Mr. Dufrechou showed pictures of the vehicles along with a video of the helicopter.

Mr. Dufrechou reported on October 7th one of the toll collectors reported a possible impaired driver that went through the toll booth at 12:45 in the morning. He stated the incident was reported to dispatch who then in turn contacted the police. Mr. Dufrechou stated the vehicle was stopped on the South bound span when Officer Banks arrived on scene. Mr. Dufrechou asked Chief Congemi to give the rest of the details. Chief Congemi stated that the toll collectors were very observant to spot a possible impaired driver. He stated that as officer Banks pulled over his vehicle, the commuter's vehicle had already hit the bridge. Chief stated that the commuter exited the vehicle and jumped into the water as officer Banks' arrived on scene. He reported the Cpl. Tate Gallo was at TPN when the call was dispatched and jumped into a MAP truck. When Cpl. Gallo arrived on the scene, the suspect was floating in the lake and clinging to a life raft. Chief reported that Cpl. Gallo lowered his ladder and went into the lake to save the suspect. He stated that with the help of St. Tammany Fire Department spot light, Cpl. Gallo was able to rescue the suspect. Chief stated that the suspect was not initially breathing upon rescue but was resuscitated. Chief reported that Corporal Gallo, Officer Tyrone Banks, Officer Tristan Thomas, Officer Scott Huff and Officer Lee Hunt were instrumental in saving this person's life.

On the North Channel Bascule Control System Replacement Project, Mr. Dufrechou presented Change Orders No. 7, 8 & 9. **On motion by Mr. Romig, seconded by Mr. Cvitanovich, Plan Change No. 7 provides for the purchase of additional spare parts for the bascule control system in the amount of \$23,583.14 and no**

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additional calendar days. Plan Change No. 8 provides for temporary signs and barricades for Night Bridge Closures in the amount of \$35,914.04 and no additional calendar days. C Plan Change No. 9 provides for debugging of the system associated with legacy equipment in the amount of \$45,202.65 and no additional calendar days. Based on the recommendation of the Staff and its Consulting Engineers, the GNOEC authorizes the General Manager to complete the execution of Plan Changes No. 7, 8 & 9. Capt. Lorino, Mr. Romig, Mr. Cvitanovich and Mr. Ligi voted in favor of the motion.

On the Realignment of Northbound Bridge Spans, Mr. Dufrechou presented Plan Changes No. 8 & 9. On motion by Mr. Ligi, seconded by Mr. Cvitanovich, the contract documents provide detail for Work Zone Police Officers with no initial quantity. Plan Changes No. 8 & 9 provided for adjusting the quantity for Work Zone Police Officers to the final quantity used of \$16,680.00. Based on the recommendation of the Staff and its Consulting Engineers, the GNOEC authorizes the General Manager to complete the execution of Plan Changes No 8 & 9. Capt. Lorino, Mr. Romig, Mr. Cvitanovich and Mr. Ligi voted in favor of the motion.

On the Modifications of the Cable Tray Support Systems, Mr. Dufrechou recommends acceptance on this project. On motion by Mr. Cvitanovich, seconded by Mr. Ligi, based on the recommendation of the Staff and its Consulting Engineers, the Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission accepts the project titles Modifications Cable Support Tray System. The Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission authorizes General Manager Carlton Dufrechou to execute any documents associated with the acceptance of this project on behalf of the

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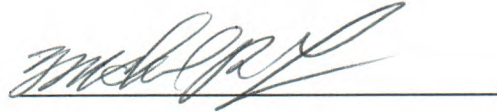
Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission. Capt. Lorino, Mr. Romig, Mr. Cvitanovich and Mr. Ligi voted in favor of the motion.

On the 9-Mile Turnaround Spans, Mr. Dufrechou recommends concurrence with DOTD to award to the low bidder. On motion by Capt. Lorino, seconded by Mr. Ligi, based on the recommendation of the Staff and its Consulting Engineers, the Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission concurs with recommendation of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) to award State Project No. H.005972 to the low bidder Boh Bros. Construction Co., L.L.C. in the amount of \$8,248,040.10. The Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission authorizes General Manager Carlton Dufrechou to execute any documents associated with the award of this contract on behalf of the Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission. Capt. Lorino, Mr. Romig, Mr. Cvitanovich and Mr. Ligi voted in favor of the motion.

On motion by Capt. Lorino, seconded by Mr. Romig, based upon the recommendation of legal counsel and Staff, the GNOEC hereby adopts a Resolution authorizing the General Manager on behalf of the Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission to seek an opinion from the Louisiana Attorney General on the issue of whether the date and time logs contained in the GNOEC toll records for law enforcement personal traversing the Causeway Bridge are public records under the Public Records Law and subject to disclosure or are exempt from disclosure under La.R.S. 44:4 (30). Capt. Lorino, Mr. Romig, Mr. Cvitanovich and Mr. Ligi voted in favor of the motion.

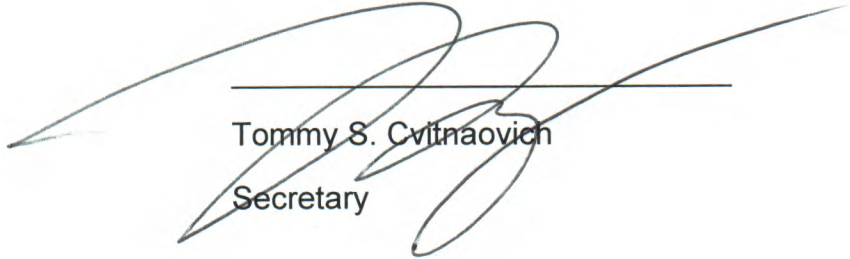
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There being no further business, the meeting will be adjourned.



Michael R. Lorino, Jr.

Chairman



Tommy S. Cvitnaovich

Secretary