## Proceedings of the Regular Meeting of the Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission (GNOEC), Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 10 AM, South Shore Conference Room, 3939 North Causeway Blvd., Metairie, Louisiana 70002

Present: Col. Evans Spiceland, Chair (via teleconference due to illness); Gary Cooper, Vice Chair; Lindsay Calub, Secretary; and Wanda Theriot, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

Absent: Ralph Cox, Jr., Treasurer

Others: Carlton Dufrechou, Melissa Phillpott, Eileen Barthe', Robert Graham, Roy Jacob, Michelle Carlisle, Sgt. Tristan Thomas, Sgt. Colt Bruhl, Sgt. Matt Haley, and MAP Lederman Lenton Brumfield, GNOEC; Craig Watson, Blue Williams; and Cary Bourgeois, GEC.

As acting chair, Mr. Cooper called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM.

On a motion by Col. Spiceland, seconded by Mr. Calub, the minutes of the December 6, 2023, regular meeting were accepted as written. Col. Spiceland, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Calub, and Mrs. Theriot voted in favor of the motion.

Mr. Cooper requested the General Manager's report.

- Drawbridge, Dec 4 vessel openings, 1 test opening and 0 incidents.
- Fog Ops: None.
- Bridge Closures: SB bridge closed Dec 27 due to crash response and CPR at 16.4 MM from 6:55 AM to 7:29 AM. NB closed Jan 6, 11:12 AM to 11:46 AM due to failure of drawbridge locking pin motor. Both bridges closed Jan 8, 5:13 PM to 5:53 PM due to severe weather.
- Breakdowns: During Dec, we responded to 290 on the CW (198 mechanical and 92 debris) and 25 on the HPL (16 mechanical and 9 debris) for a total of 315 for the month.
- Accidents: During Dec, we responded to 14 on the CW and 13 on the HPL for a total of 27 for both bridges.

Mr. Dufrechou asked Chief select Roy Jacob to outline the events of the December 27 incident on the SB bridge. Chief select Jacob described the morning rush hours actions of Assistant MAP Leaderman Lenton Brumfield, Sgt. Tristan Thomas, and Sgt. Colt Bruhl during which they executed CPR and used Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) for a driver who had lost control of his vehicle and consciousness. Once EMS arrived, the driver was transported to a St. Tammany hospital. According to hospital physicians, due to the prompt actions of Causeway personnel, the driver's life was saved. The actions of these GNOEC personnel are a model of service above self.

North Causeway Approach Road Overlay, GNOEC Project No. 637, GNOEC Resolution No. 2024-01: On a motion by Mr. Calub, seconded by Mrs. Theriot:

Based upon the recommendations of the GNOEC staff, the General Manager is hereby authorized to execute the Project Memorandum for the project titled North Causeway Approach Road Overlay and the Consulting Engineers are authorized to begin development of plans and specifications and advertise the project. Col. Spiceland, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Calub, and Mrs. Theriot voted in favor of the motion.

Cable Tray Repairs, GNOEC Project No. 438, GNOEC Resolution No. 2024-02: On a motion by Mrs. Theriot, seconded by Col. Spiceland: Based upon the recommendations of the GNOEC staff, the General Manager is hereby authorized to execute the Project Memorandum for the project titled Cable Tray Repairs and the Consulting Engineers are authorized to advertise the project. Col. Spiceland, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Calub, and Mrs. Theriot voted in favor of the motion.

Mr. Cooper asked if there was any further business or comments. There being none, Mr. Cooper asked to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor and the meeting adjourned. The next GNOEC meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 13, 2024, in the TPN conference room.

Col. Evans Spiceland

Chair

Secretary