

**Proceedings of the Regular Meeting of the Greater New Orleans
Expressway Commission (GNOEC), Wednesday, October 9, 2024, 10 AM,
South Shore Conference Room, 3939 North Causeway Blvd., Metairie,
Louisiana 70002**

Call to Order

Vice Chairman Cox called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Ralph Cox, Jr., Vice Chairman; Tim Coulon, Treasurer; and James Tucker, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. Absent: Col. Evans Spiceland, Chairman, and Justin Clinton, Secretary.

Others Attending: Carlton Dufrechou, Melissa Phillpott, Robert Graham, Roy Jacob, Eileen Barthe, Michelle Carlisle, Branden Fos, GNOEC; Craig Watson, Blue Williams; Cary Bourgeois, GEC; and Jan Evans and Lloyd Orferndorf, Volkert.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Coulon, seconded by Mr. Tucker, the minutes of the September 11, 2024, special meeting were accepted as written. Mr. Cox, Mr. Coulon, and Mr. Tucker voted in favor of the motion.

Chairman's Remarks

Vice Chairman Cox noted that Col. Spiceland was under the weather; wished him a speedy recovery; and asked everyone to keep those in the path of Hurricane Milton in our prayers.

General Manager's report

- Drawbridge, Aug: 10 vessel openings, 0 test opening and 0 incidents.
- Drawbridge, Sep: 11 vessel openings, 3 test opening and 0 incidents.
- Fog Ops: None.
- Bridge Closures: Both bridges closed Sep 11, 6:04 PM to 6:34 AM, Sept 12 due to Hurricane Francine. SB bridge closed Sep 21, 8:35 AM to 8:57 AM due to crash into attenuator truck protecting cleaning crew. SB bridge closed Sep 22, 2:30 PM to 3:11 PM due to response to crash at 4MM with injuries. SB bridge closed Sep 22, 7:55 PM to 9:10 PM due to response to crash at 0.4MM with injuries. SB bridge closed Sep 30, from 7:49 AM to 8:14 AM for response to four vehicle crash at 17 MM. SB closed Oct 4, from 7:22 AM to 7:33 AM due to response to four vehicle crash at 12MM. SB closed Oct 6, from 8:26 AM to 9:13 AM to response to crash with injuries at the 16.9MM.
- Breakdowns: During Aug, we responded to 373 on the CW (249 mechanical and 124 debris) and 39 on the HPL (33 mechanical and 6 debris) for a total of 412 for both bridges.

- Breakdowns: During Sep, we responded to 323 on the CW (232 mechanical and 91 debris) and 37 on the HPL (26 mechanical and 11 debris) for a total of 360 for both bridges.
- Accidents: During Aug, we responded to 11 on the CW and 23 on the HPL for a total of 34 for both bridges.
- Accidents: During Sep, we responded to 10 on the CW and 16 on the HPL for a total of 26 for both bridges.

Action Items

Upgrade Traffic Signals, GNOEC Project No. 640, Acceptance and Final Plan Change, GNOEC Resolution No. 2024-20: On a motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Coulon: Based upon the recommendations of the staff and Consulting Engineers, the General Manager is hereby authorized to execute the Project Memorandum for the project titled Upgrade Traffic Signals and the Consulting Engineers are authorized to advertise the first phase of the project. Mr. Cox, Mr. Coulon, and Mr. Tucker voted in favor of the motion.

Request for Information for Replacement of GNOEC Toll Collection System, GNOEC Resolution No. 2024-21: On a motion by Mr. Coulon, seconded by Mr. Tucker: The GNOEC seeks vendors to provide information for the agency to consider during planning for and implementing the replacement and systems upgrades for its toll collection, auditing, reporting, and violations enforcement systems. The GNOEC hereby authorizes its General Manager to advertise a Request of Information for Replacement of GNOEC's Toll Collection System. Mr. Cox, Mr. Coulon, and Mr. Tucker voted in favor of the motion.

Request for Qualifications for Professional Engineering Services, GNOEC Resolution No. 2024-22: On a motion by Mr. Coulon, seconded by Mr. Tucker: The GNOEC is seeking Statements of Qualifications from qualified firms interested in providing construction management, design services, and inspections for its north shore approach roadways, on an as needed basis. Accordingly, the GNOEC hereby authorizes its General Manager to advertise a Request of Qualifications for professional engineering services for its approach roads. Mr. Cox, Mr. Coulon, and Mr. Tucker voted in favor of the motion.

Surplus Equipment, GNOEC Resolution No. 2024-23: On a motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Coulon: Based on the recommendation of the staff, the General Manager is authorized to dispose of the equipment in the attached list which has been declared surplus. Mr. Cox, Mr. Coulon, and Mr. Tucker voted in favor of the motion.

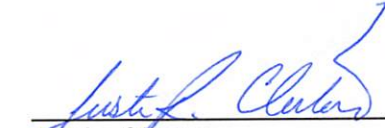
Closing/Next Meeting

Vice Chairman Cox asked if there was any further business or comments. There being none, Mr. Tucker moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Coulon seconded. All concurred and the meeting adjourned. The next GNOEC meeting is

tentatively scheduled for November 13, 2024, in the TPN (north shore) conference room.

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Col. Evans Spiceland
Chairman

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Justin Clinton
Secretary