

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, December 19, 2011, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

December 16, 2011

Dear Sir:

You are hereby notified that a public meeting and the next Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, December 19, 2011 at the Lucher Office, Lucher, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Ricky Bosco, Mike Delaune, L.C. Irvin, Marty Poche, Allen St. Pierre, Jerry Savoy and Steve Wilson. Absent: None.

Pontchartrain Levee District employees in attendance were: Messrs. Monica Salins – Executive Director and Susan M. Sheets - Secretary to the Board. Also in attendance were: Clinton Rouyea - External Accountant, Joe Sevario – Executive Assistant to the Board and Dwight Poirrier – PLD Legal Counsel. Special guest included: A.J. Domangue and Mona Nosari of G.C.R. & Associates, Les Waguespack of Shaw, Nathan Junius of Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Jake Lambert of G.S.A. & Associates, Jack Morgan Evans Graves Engineers, Henry Picard and David Boyd of Burk Kleinpeter, Eric Poche of SJB Group, Josh Graham, CES, Chris Williams and Jonathan Hird of Moffatt & Nichol, Tommy Martin of SCG and Bill Wall of CPRA.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 21, 2011, was offered by Mr. Delaune, seconded by Mr. Irvin and unanimously carried.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of December 1, 2011, was offered by Mr. St. Pierre, seconded by Mr. Bosco and unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: Mr. Mike Delaune reported on the security meeting held on December 13, 2011. There were no action items to report.

Equipment Committee: Mr. Mike Delaune reported on the meeting held on December 13, 2011. There were no action items to report.

Insurance Committee: Mr. Jerry Savoy reported on the Insurance Committee meeting held on December 15, 2011. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve to continue to utilize Harry Robert Insurance Agency, Inc. as agent for PLD concerning the acquisition of Workers' Compensation coverage for 2012 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin then moved to approve to continue to utilize Eustis Insurance Company as agent for PLD concerning acquisition of General Liability Insurance coverage for 2012 as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Poche and also carried unanimously.

Finance Committee: Mr. Jerry Savoy reported on the Finance meeting held on December 15, 2011. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to approve to proceed with the recommendation of PLD Board Counsel, Dwight Poirrier, regarding the settlement of Charlie Achord, et al versus the Pontchartrain Levee District as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$45,412.86 as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin then moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to approve the invoice from G.C.R. and Associates for the St. Charles Parish Hurricane Protection 100 year protection in the amount of \$29,057.47 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve the invoice from G.C.R. & Associates for supplemental work in the amount of \$32,944.44 for the month of November 1, 2011 thru November 30, 2011 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to approve the invoice from G.C.R. & Associates for computer technical support in the amount of \$202.50 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the invoice from the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana for the 2012 Annual Dues in the amount of \$2,000.00 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to approve the invoice from the Louisiana Emergency Preparedness Association for the 2012 Annual Dues in the amount of \$300.00 as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Lastly, Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to approve to declare said property "Surplus" as reviewed at the Equipment Committee meeting and to auction said PLD surplus equipment at an auction being shared with Lafourche Basin Drainage District and St. James Parish Public Works to be held on January 21, 2012 and Executive Director be allowed to proceed in the manner necessary to accomplish said task as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on December 15, 2011. There were no action items to report.

STAFF REPORTS

Written reports were given for each of the following projects by the respective engineer and/or representative:

- a) Amite River & Tributaries Bayou Manchac & Ecosystem
- b) West Shore-Lake Pontchartrain Hurricane Protection Project
- c) St. Charles Urban/Cross Bayou Pump Station
- d) Laurel Ridge Levee/Bayou Conway –Panama Canal
- e) Mississippi River Levee Multi-Use Trail
- f) St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee
- g) LaBranche Wetlands

LETTERS OF NO OBJECTION

The following requests were presented to the Board for action:

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of August 22, 2011 and revised October 27, 2011 concerning permission to replace three (3) existing power poles and to install eight (8) new poles for Wagner Oil Company located at 4635 Von Hofe Road, levee station 2660+00, at Darrow, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated November 30, 2011 and CPRA dated August 22 and November 3, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Marathon Petroleum Company, LP – request of November 10, 2011 concerning permission to install a cathodic protection deep anode groundbeds for rectifier numbers 4, 7, 12 and 21-A, between levee stations 4515+00 and 4545+00, Garyville, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated November 30, 2011 and CPRA dated November 21, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Valero St. Charles Refinery – request of November 1, 2011 through Pelican Energy Consultants, LLC, concerning permission to construct two (2) high cetane-ultra low sulfur diesel tanks, pipe rack and pump pad, levee station 5366+00, at Norco, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated November 22, 2011 and CPRA dated November 8, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of November 16, 2011 concerning permission to install two (2) power poles and one (1) anchor at 626 West 2nd Street, levee station 4829+00, at LaPlace, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated November 21, 2011 and CPRA dated November 17, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Melva Hymel – request of November 21, 2011 concerning permission to drill a water well at 1137 River Road, levee station 1065+00, in Iberville Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated November 21, 2011 and CPRA dated November 23, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Valero St. Charles Refinery – request of November 17, 2011 through Eustis Engineering Services, LLC, concerning permission to perform twenty-five (25) pavement cores and shallow soil borings, between levee station 5306+00 and 5403+00, at Good Hope, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated November 22, 2011 and CPRA dated November 9, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

William Guzman – request of November 8, 2011 concerning permission to drill a water well at 2442 Highway 44, levee station 4101+00, at Paulina, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated November 16, 2011 and CPRA dated November 10, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Evans-Graves Engineers, Inc. – request of November 2, 2011 through PSI, Inc., concerning permission to drill one (1) soil boring on the floodside and to drill one (1) soil boring on the crown and to drill six (6) soil borings, levee station 443+00, at St. Rose, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated November 22, 2011 and CPRA dated November 9, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Valero St. Charles Refinery – request of November 11, 2011 through Conestoga-Rovers & Associates, Inc., concerning permission to install soil borings/monitoring wells in five (5) locations at the St Charles Refinery, between levee stations 5342+00 and 5376+00, at Norco, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated December 6, 2011 and CPRA dated November 17, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Speedy Car Wash, LLC – request of November 8, 2011 concerning permission to construct a car wash, levee station 5470+00, at Destrehan, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated December 2, 2011 and CPRA dated November 28, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Petroleum Fuel & Terminal Facility – request of November 23, 2011 through Lanier & Associates Consulting Engineers, Inc., concerning permission to drill eighteen (18) soil borings, levee station 4325+00, at Garyville, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated December 5, 2011 and CPRA dated December 1, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Crosstex Energy – request of November 22, 2011 through Fugro Consultants, Inc., on behalf of The Shaw Group concerning permission to perform two (2) cone penetrometer tests, levee station 2200+00, at Geismar, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated December 5, 2011 and CPRA dated November 30, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Marathon Petroleum Company, LP – request of August 9, 2011 and revised letter dated September 29, 2011 concerning permission to complete the installation of a new security gate by installing two (2) card readers/intercom stands, a light pole with camera and a new fence post, levee station 4523+00, at Garyville, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated November 21, 2011 and CPRA dated October 28, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Marathon Petroleum Company, LP – request of November 2, 2011 concerning permission to pave two (2) existing levee access ramps, levee stations 4500+82 and 4516+84, at Garyville, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated November 22, 2011 and CPRA dated December 1, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

St. Charles Parish Council – request of December 12, 2011 through SJB Group LLC, concerning permission to extend for one (1) year letter of no objection #101220163. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Rain CII Carbon – request of September 30, 2011 through Conestoga-Rovers & Associates concerning permission to develop an area for a coke storage pad, levee station 4240+00, at Gramercy, Louisiana in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated December 14, 2011 and CPRA dated October 3, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of November 22, 2011 concerning permission to install three power poles to provide service to 2125 Kinler Street, levee station 4094+50, at Paulina, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated December 14, 2011 and CPRA dated November 29, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

LSU School of Veterinary Medicine – request of December 12, 2011 through Tipton Associates, concerning permission to extend letter of no objection #09061541 for two (2) years, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in East Baton Rouge Parish. Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated January 29, 2010 and CPRA dated February 8, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

President Wilson informed members that the January Board Meeting would be on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 due to Martin Luther King Holiday.

OLD BUSINESS

President Wilson discussed a request regarding Wetland Watcher's Park. At this time, Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to add an item to the agenda regarding a letter evidencing that PLD has no objection to the Wetland Watcher's Park increasing their parking area. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a "Letter of No Objection" to the Wetland Watcher's Park for increasing their parking area along the shoreline of Lake Pontchartrain wherein said park is located. This motion carried unanimously.

At this time, Mr. Kenny Steib addressed the Board and gave an update relative to the present high water and flood fight.

NEW BUSINESS

President Wilson called on Mr. Billy Wall of CPRA who discussed the new permitting process and system proposed. Mr. Wall explained that costs associated with the database would be determined after the number of participants was determined. Following discussion, Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to add this matter to the agenda. The motion to add discussion carried unanimously. Following discussion, Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to pass a resolution of support on behalf of PLD of this State database being formulated thru CPRA efforts. This motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

Susan M. Sheets, Secretary

**Steve C. Wilson, President
Pontchartrain Levee District**