

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District (PLD) met at its office on Monday, February 21, 2011, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

February 18, 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, February 21, 2011 at the Lucher Office, Lucher, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Marty Poche, Jerry Savoy, L.C. Irvin, Allen St. Pierre and Steve Wilson. Absent was Mike Delaune.

Pontchartrain Levee District employee in attendance was 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 of G.C.R. & Associates, Les Waguespack of Shaw, Nathan Junius of Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Jake Lambert of G.S.A. & Associates, Henry Picard, III of Burk Kleinpeter, Eric Poche of SJB Group, Billy Wall and John Monzon of OCPR, Allen Dupont, Consultant, Dave Parenton of Valero-St. Charles Refinery, Chris O'Brien of Lanier & Associates, Tommy Martin of Stuart Consulting Group, Jonathan Hird of Moffatt & Nichol, Giuseppe Miserendino, Susan McCleary and Bob Turner of SELFPA Authorities.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 18, 2011, was offered by Mr. Savoy, seconded by Mr. Poche and unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The first item on the agenda was discussion relative to a resolution for participation in Levee Information Management System (LIMS) with the State of Louisiana (OCPR) and Southeast Levee Authorities. This presentation was passed while presentation set up.

Security/Safety Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the security meeting held on February 15, 2011. There were no action items to report.

Equipment Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the equipment meeting held on February 15, 2011. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to approve the torque repairs on the dump truck at a cost of \$3,062.00 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee: Mr. Allen St. Pierre reported on the Finance meeting held on February 17, 2011. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to approve the expenses for the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Annual Spring Meeting in Washington, D.C. scheduled for March 26 through March 31, 2011 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to approve the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Parish of St. James and PLD specific to the cost share of the non-federal portion of the West Shore-Lake Pontchartrain, LA Hurricane Protection Project and to authorize Board President to execute said agreement as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche then moved to approve the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between St. James Parish School Board, Parish of St. James and PLD as amended, to reflect the removal of the Town of Litcher, as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Irvin and also carried unanimously. Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$33,872.11 as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche then moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the invoice from G.C.R. and Associates for the St. Charles Parish Hurricane Protection 100 year protection in the amount of \$14,516.52 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the invoice from G.C.R. & Associates for computer technical support from December 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 in the amount of \$4,027.98 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on February 17, 2011. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to approve the merit increases for March for the following employees Nos. 1485, 126539 and 126436 on their respective anniversary dates as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

At this time, the presentation initially passed over was taken up. President Wilson called on Mr. Miserendino and staff to address Board. At this time, a slide show presentation was given followed by questions and further discussion. Following discussion, Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to offer a resolution of support of said concept of levee information management and upon participant agencies approvals, PLD would follow up prior to next Board Meeting. This motion of support carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

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 Shoreline Protection Project

LETTERS OF NO OBJECTION

The following requests were presented to the Board for action:

St. Peter Chanel School – request of February 18, 2011 concerning permission to hold a 5K Walk/Run from St. Joseph Church Pastoral Center to T. Poche Street in conjunction with their annual Spring Festival on Saturday, March 19th beginning at 9:30 a.m., Paulina, Louisiana, St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Hollis O’Neal, Jr. – request of February 9, 2011 concerning permission to construct a residence at 10222 River Road, the work will require no piling, drilling or boring, the subsurface work will be limited to the digging of foundation of footings less than 24” in depth and underground utilities, levee station 470+00, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in East Baton Rouge Parish. Mr. Irvin 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 February 17, 2011 and OCPR dated February 15, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Marathon Petroleum Company, LP – request of January 10, 2011 concerning permission to install a cathodic protection deep anode groundbed for rectifier number 20, levee station 4533+35, at Garyville, 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 January 26, 2011 and OCPR dated February 15, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Port of South Louisiana (Globalplex Terminal) – request of January 28, 2011 to modify letter of no objection #09042031 requesting approval for revision to their original plans which includes the removal of sunken barges (or barge fragments) by crane, transport them off-site as scrap metal, remove several feet of sediment from area surrounding barges to release barges from bottom of river and voids created by extricated barges will be back-filled with sand and 3 feet of rock on the river bottom for scour protection between levee stations 4636+86 and 4642+50, at Reserve, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish and to extend the letter of no objection for three (3) years. 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 February 10, 2011 and OCPR dated February 1, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of January 7, 2011 concerning permission to install two (2) power poles at 172 Phoenix Lane, levee station 4831+97 at LaPlace, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre 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 January 24, 2011 and OCPR dated January 10, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of January 7, 2011 concerning permission to remove one (10) existing 35’ pole and install two (2) new 45’ poles with anchors at 131 Clement Lane, levee station 4969+00, at LaPlace, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre 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 January 24, 2011 and OCPR dated January 10, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Valero Refining Co. - St. Charles Refinery – request of September 28, 2010 through Lanier & Associates Consulting Engineering, Inc., concerning permission to construct a concrete pile supported ramp and transport equipment, construct an overpass over the River Road on the protected side and install mooring/breasting dolphins on the floodside, at New Sarpy, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Savoy 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 February 10, 2011 and OCPR dated February 1, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Trafigura A.G. – request of February 14, 2011 through Shaw Environmental & Infrastructure Inc. concerning permission to install six (6) soil borings using direct-push technology to a maximum depth of 15 feet below ground surface, convert each soil boring into temporary monitor wells and plug and abandon all temporary monitor wells and grouting of soil boring following the collection of groundwater samples, between levee stations 3000+20 and 3015+47, at Burnside, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Irvin 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 verbal email dated February 16, 2011 and OCPR dated February 14, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of January 21, 2011 concerning permission to install ten (10) power poles, remove four (4) power poles and replace seven (7) as needed power poles and to provide electrical service to the new St. Peter Chanel Gym located at 2590 Highway 44, levee station 4100+00, at Paulina, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche 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 January 31, 2011 and OCPR dated January 27, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of October 15, 2010 to replace one (1) broken 55’ power pole and transfer its facilities (cables and grounds) and remove existing broken pole on River Road at Opal Street, levee station 5780+60, at St. Rose, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Irvin 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 February 7, 2011 and OCPR dated October 20, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Shell Chemical (Geismar Chemical Plant) – request of June 7, 2010 and revised January 18, 2011 through CDI Engineering Solutions concerning permission to replace the dock house and associated walkway and to construct a new wastewater treatment plant, levee station 2363+82, at Geismar, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Savoy 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 February 8, 2011 and OCPR dated June 17, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of January 7, 2011 concerning permission to install five (5) power poles for AT&T, Inc. on Romeville Road, levee station 3405+00, at Convent, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche 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 January 24, 2011 and OCPR dated January 10, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of January 13, 2011 concerning permission to install one (1) power pole at the St. James Parish’s new booster pump station located at 10754 Highway 44, levee station 3110+00, at Convent, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche 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 January 13, 2011 and OCPR dated January 18, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

St. Charles Parish – request of January 3, 2011 from GeoEngineers, on behalf of C.J. Savoie Consulting Engineers, Inc. concerning permission to drill one (1) soil boring at the Old Montz WWTP Lift Station, levee station 5122+50, at Montz, Louisiana, in St. Charles 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 January 18, 2011 and OCPR dated January 1, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

United Way of St. Charles – request of January 24, 2011 concerning permission to allow parking on the levee in front of the East Bank Bridge Park on April 2, 2011 for the annual 5K Bridge Run in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Nucor Steel Louisiana – request of February 1, 2011 to modify letter of no objection #11011802, requesting approval for revision to their original plans which was for sixteen (16) soil borings and the modification is for three (3) soil borings, near Helvetia, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche 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 February 2 2011 and OCPR dated February 18, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Kirby Inland Marine - request of December 16, 2010 concerning permission to install three (3) power poles, levee station 242+54.7, near Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in East Baton Rouge Parish. Mr. Savoy 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 February 17, 2011 and OCPR dated February 18, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

BJ Services Company – request of January 31, 2011 to modify letter of no objection #1101805, requesting approval for revision to their original plans concerning permission to install one (1) power pole, levee station 2282+33, in Ascension Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

President Wilson advised members that the next CPRA meeting was scheduled for March 3, 2011 and the State Master Plan is available on-line.

OLD BUSINESS

President Wilson advised that PLD was awaiting the Maintenance Agreement and Construction Bond between PLD and Pinnacle, all being handled through PLD Counsel. Brief discussion was had.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. St. Pierre gave a brief update regarding the Riverlands Civic Association meeting which was held at the new Library in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre stated that the turnout of public officials were disappointing, however, the meeting went well.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Susan M. Sheets, Secretary

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