

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, February 27, 2012, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

February 24, 2012

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 27, 2012 at the Lucher Office, Lucher, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

Vice-President Mike Delaune called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Ricky Bosco, Mike Delaune, L.C. Irvin, Marty Poche, Allen St. Pierre and Jerry Savoy. Absent was Steve Wilson.

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 of G.C.R. & Associates, Les Waguespack of Shaw, Nathan Junius and Stephen Braquet of Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Jake Lambert of G.S.A. & Associates, Jack Morgan Evans Graves Engineers, Henry Picard of Burk Kleinpeter, Eric Poche of SJB Group, Josh Graham, CES, Chris Williams of Moffatt & Nichol, Lauren Dimattia and Rhonda Braud of CPRA.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 17, 2012, was offered by Mr. Savoy, seconded by Mr. Irvin and unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: Mr. Mike Delaune reported on the security meeting held on February 14, 2012. There were no action items to report.

Equipment Committee: Mr. Mike Delaune reported on the meeting held on February 14, 2012. There were no action items to report.

Finance Committee: Mr. Jerry Savoy reported on the Finance meeting held on February 14, 2012. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$39,258.91 as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche 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 \$19,262.68 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to approve the expenses for the annual hurricane conference in Orlando, FL on March 26 – 29, 2012 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on February 14, 2012. 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:

St. Charles Parish – request of February 7, 2012 to extend letter of no objection #10051748 for two (2) years in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

St. Charles Parish – request of February 7, 2012 to extend letter of no objection #10051747 for two (2) years in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Forge Racing – request of February 3, 2012 to hold the Rouge Orleans Ultra Marathon & Team Relay, Friday, February 10th through Sunday February 12, 2012 on the crown of the mainline Mississippi River levee throughout PLD jurisdiction. Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

United Way of St. Charles – request of January 18, 2012 concerning permission to hold a 10K Run/Walk and park cars within the Mississippi River levee servitude on March 31, 2012. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

St. Peter Chanel School – request of February 13, 2012 concerning permission to host a 5K Walk/Run on March 17th, 2012 beginning at 9:00 a.m., starting at St. Joseph Church Pastoral Center to T. Poche Street in Paulina, Louisiana. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Club South Runners – request of February 7, 2012 concerning permission to host a 10K Run on February 25th, 2012 beginning at 9:00 a.m., starting and finishing at the Belle of Baton Rouge Atrium in East Baton Rouge Parish. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Mosaic Fertilizer, LLC – request of September 19, 2011 through Eustis Engineering, LLC concerning permission to drill five (5) soil borings on the flood side between levee station 3491+00 and 3503+00 and drill one (1) soil boring on the levee, and drill four (4) soil borings and perform four (4) penetrometer test on the protected side of the levee, at St. James, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche 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 January 27, 2012 and OCPR dated September 26, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

AEP River Operations – request of December 21, 2011 to extend letter of no objection #10062163 in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

AT&T – request of January 26, 2012 concerning permission to revise the original plan to relocate facilities on the flood side and protected side of the left descending Mississippi River levee as part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Duncan Point Seepage Berm and Relocation project to include trenching the cable along the crown of the levee and boring under the highway instead of the aerial placement originally proposed between levee stations 175+00 and 208+00, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in East Baton Rouge 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 dated January 31, 2012 and OCPR dated February 2, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Lafarge West, Inc. – request of January 9, 2012 to transfer all permits from Martin Marietta Materials, Inc., levee station 3127+00 through 3138+48, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of November 21, 2011 concerning permission to install one (1) power pole and an anchor at 10964 River Road, levee station 4800+00, at St. Rose, 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 January 20, 2012 and OCPR dated November 23, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of January 16, 2012 concerning permission to replace eight (8) power poles, levee station 4728+75, at Reserve, 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 24, 2012 and OCPR dated January 24, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Ingram Barge Company – request of January 12, 2012 through Gulf South Engineering and Testing, Inc. ,concerning permission to drill four (4) soil borings, levee station 4721+75, at Reserve, 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 January 24, 2012 and OCPR dated January 18, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of January 17, 2012 concerning permission to install two (2) power poles and two (2) anchors for the Port of South Louisiana EOC Building at 137. Henderson Street, levee station 4627+00, at Reserve, 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 25, 2012 and OCPR dated January 24, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Crosstex Facility – request of January 5, 2012 through URS Corporation, concerning permission to drill nine (9) soil borings, between levee stations 2197+50 and 2216+50, 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 January 23, 2012 and OCPR dated January 12, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

International Matex Tank Terminals - request of January 19, 2012 concerning permission to replace three (3) fire water valves, levee station 4705+00, at St. Rose, 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 January 27, 2012 and OCPR dated February 1, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

East Baton Rouge Department of Public Works – request of October 4, 2011and revised December 12, 2011 through CH2M Hill, concerning permission to perform sewer rehabilitation work near the Highland Road/Washington Street area, between levee stations 95+86 and 110+64 and from 0+00 to 53+50, at 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 January 23, 2012 and OCPR dated October 10, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Cox Communications – request of December 12, 2011 and revised January 17, 2012 through Torry Telecom & Cable, Inc. , concerning permission to install an aerial cable, levee station 5898+00, at St. Rose, 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 January 19, 2012 and OCPR dated December 20, 2011 and January 24, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

AT&T – request of January 13, 2012 through Byers Engineering, concerning permission to install two (2) hand holes over an existing 4-inch duct along River Road, between levee station 5716+40 and 5727+00, at St. Rose, 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 February 10, 2012 and OCPR dated January 23, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

AT&T – request of February 7, 2012 through Byers Engineering, concerning permission to directional bore 384 feet of 25 pair cooper cable at 11842 River Road, levee station 5803+00, at St. Rose, 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 February 10, 2012 and OCPR dated February 9, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

AT&T – request of December 27, 2011 and revised February 6, 2012 through Byers Engineering, concerning permission to directionally bore a fiber optic cable which includes installing two (2) poles at Washington Street, relocating the pits and pulling new cable through existing conduit one quarter of the total length of the project as originally proposed, between levee station 5274+00 and 5327+00. 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 dated January 24, 2012 and February 14, 2012 and OCPR dated January 5, 2012 and February 9, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Nucor Corporation – request of September 13, 2011 and revised December 13, 2011 through URS Corporation, concerning permission to construct a levee access ramp and to construct a haul road and lay down road on the batture, levee station 3328+80, in St. James Parish, Louisiana. 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 October 28, 2011 and February 15, 2012 and OCPR dated September 23, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Mosaic Fertilizer – request of February 3, 2012 concerning permission to construct foundations at the Uncle Sam “D” and “E” Sulfuric Acid Plants, levee station 3506+00, at Uncle Sam, 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 February 16, 2012 and OCPR dated February 9, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

City of Baton Rouge – request of October 19, 2011 and revised February 6, 2012 through Baton Rouge SSO Program, concerning permission to modify letter of no objection #111017129 to include an additional 20-inch sewer forcemain at levee station 41+59, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in East Baton Rouge 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 dated January 24, 2012 and OCPR dated October 28, 2011 and February 16, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Mosaic Fertilizer, LLC – request of February 13, 2012 through Conestoga-Rovers concerning permission to plug and abandon three (3) existing 2-inch monitoring wells in the Uncle Sam Plant, levee station 3509+00, at Uncle Sam, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche 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 February 16, 2012 and OCPR dated February 22, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve the expenses for the annual Workshop of the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana held on May 3-4, 2012 in Baton Rouge. This motion carried unanimously. Members were asked to inform the Board Secretary as to their attendance and plans.

OLD BUSINESS

Under old business, a motion to approve the hiring of a Police Officer 2 position was taken up. The Executive Director explained that this matter had been previously approved by the Board, however, the motion was passed during the last fiscal year. That position was not filled therefore, the matter was back before the Board. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve to post and fill one (1) Police Officer 2 position. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin then moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to add an item to the agenda relative to the ramps and culvert project. The motion carried unanimously and Mr. Josh Graham was called on to give an update relative to said project. Mr. Graham provided members with a written report then briefly discussed the findings of said project. The final report along with CD would be delivered to PLD within the week and it would denote the areas of concern.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Susan M. Sheets, Secretary

**Mike Delaune, Vice-President
Pontchartrain Levee District**