

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Tuesday, February 18, 2014, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

February 14, 2014

Dear Sir:

You are hereby notified that the next Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at the Lutchter Office, Lutchter, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Jerry Savoy, Marty Poche, L.C. Irvin, Patrick Bell, Percy Hebert, Jr., Steve Wilson and Allen St. Pierre, Jr. Absent was Ricky Bosco.

Pontchartrain Levee District employees in attendance were: Messrs. Monica Salins – Executive Director, Dean Smith – Police Captain and Susan M. Sheets - Secretary to the Board. Also in attendance was: Dwight Poirrier – PLD Legal Counsel, Clinton Rouyea – External Accountant and Joe Sevario – Executive Assistant to the Board. Special guest included: A.J. Domangue of G.C.R. & Associates, Jake Lambert of GSA, Jack Morgan of Evans-Graves Engineers, Rhonda Braud of CPRA, Chris Williams of Moffatt & Nichol, Henry Picard of BKI, Les Waguespack of CB&I, Gregg Fell of NRP and Nathan Junius of Linfield, Hunter and Junius.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of January 21, 2014 was offered by Mr. St. Pierre and seconded by Mr. Bell. This motion also carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: Mr. Poche reported on the security meeting held on February 11, 2014. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Bell to approve the renewal of the Port of South Louisiana Dispatch Contract, under the same terms and conditions for an additional year as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to approve to change the February Board meeting from Monday, February 17th to Tuesday February 18th due to a scheduling conflict and lack of quorum as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Equipment Committee: Mr. Poche reported on the equipment meeting held on February 11, 2014. There were no action items to report.

Finance Committee: Mr. Savoy reported on the Finance meeting held on February 13, 2014. Mr. Irvin moved to approve the February 6, 2014 request from the Assessor of Ascension Parish, to supplement and amend the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Assessor's Office Aerial Imagery and Technology Project to expand said agreement to include assessment of any and all salt caverns, surface equipment, and inventory in Ascension Parish and to authorize Board President, Steve Wilson, to execute said agreement as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Poche and carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Hebert to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$24,692.61 as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche then moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the invoices from G.C.R. and Associates for the St. Charles Parish Hurricane Protection 100 year protection in the amount of \$9,851.21 for the month of January 1, 2014 through January 31, 2014 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve the invoice from G.C.R. & Associates in the amount of \$30.60 for computer technical support for the month of September 1, 2013 thru September 30, 2013 as recommended by committee. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Bell to approve the expenses for the annual spring meetings for the Mississippi River Valley Flood Control Association on March 24-26, 2014 in Washington, D.C. as recommended. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the expenses for the annual Association Levee Boards Louisiana Workshop in Baton Rouge, Louisiana to be held on May 1-2, 2014. This motion also carried unanimously. Mr. Bell moved, to approve to authorize PLD Board Counsel to move forward and have the PLD enter into a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding specific to the Alligator Bayou and Frog Bayou matters with Ascension Parish and Iberville Parish and to allow Steve Wilson, PLD President to execute said non-binding MOU as reviewed, advised and directed by PLD Board Counsel as recommended. This motion was seconded by Mr. Irvin and carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Mr. St. Pierre reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on February 13, 2014. Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. Hebert to approve to proceed with the hiring of the vacant PO2 position as per the recommendation of the interviewing committee from the interview of February 4th and 5th as recommended. This motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

The written report from the Executive Director was given to each member.

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) St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee
- f) LaBranche Wetlands

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Wilson asked members to notify Board Secretary as to their attendance at said conferences so necessary travel arrangements could be made. In addition, President Wilson informed members that Executive Director would be out on sick leave on March 13th, 2014, so therefore, Finance and Personnel Committee will be moved and held on Tuesday, March 11th, 2014 so she can attend and Security and Equipment Committee will be held on Thursday, March 13th, 2014.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

At this time, Board Counsel, Mr. Dwight Poirrier, addressed the Board to discuss adjudicated property located at 9785 South Airline Highway, in Sorrento. Mr. Poirrier discussed said request and the nature in handling these request. Following discussion, Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to allow Board Counsel to proceed with necessary investigation and proceed with consent judgment regarding said property and prepare necessary paperwork. This motion carried unanimously.

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 6:35 p.m.

Susan M. Sheets, Secretary

**Steve Wilson - President
Pontchartrain Levee District**