

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Tuesday, January 22, 2013, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

January 18, 2013

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, January 22, 2013 at the Lutchter Office, Lutchter, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Jerry Savoy, Ricky Bosco, Steve Wilson, Michael Delaune, Marty Poche, L.C. Irvin, Allen St. Pierre and Ms. Alice Fredlund. 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 was: Dwight Poirrier – PLD Legal Counsel, Clinton Rouyea – External Accountant and Joe Sevario – Executive Assistant to the Board. Special guests included: A.J. Domangue of G.C.R. & Associates, Jake Lambert of G.S.A. & Associates, Jack Morgan of Evans-Graves Engineers, Billy Wall of CPRA, Henry Picard of Burke Kleinpeter, Les Waguespack of Shaw, Lionel Fisher and Ricky Erickson of Bonnet Carre Rod & Gun, Jackson Logan of Attorney General, Tommy Martin of S.C.G., Kent Schexnaydre of Ascension Parish Council, Beau Jones and Scotty Long.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of December 17, 2012 was offered by Mr. Irvin and seconded by Ms. Fredlund. This motion also carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: Mr. Delaune reported on the security meeting held on January 15, 2013. Ms. Fredlund moved to approve the Reserve Police Officer Policy as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. St. Pierre and carried unanimously. Mr. Bosco then moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve to ratify Captain Smith's recommendation for Police Officer 2-A, Matthew Arseneaux, effective February 1, 2013 and for PLD to cover his POST refresher course fee as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve to move February committees to February 19th and 21st, 2013 and February Board Meeting to Monday, February 25th, 2013 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Ms. Fredlund moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve to move March Board Meeting to March 25th, 2013 as recommended by committee. This motion also carried unanimously.

Equipment Committee: Mr. Poche reported on the equipment meeting held on January 15, 2013. There were no action items.

Finance Committee: Mr. Savoy reported on the Finance meeting held on January 17, 2013. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement between PLD and St. James Parish and allow President Steve Wilson to sign and enter into said agreement in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Bosco then moved to approve the amendment to LaBranche Wetlands Planning Level Assessment Study Phase III in the amount of \$70,000.00 for a total study cost from \$240,000.00 to \$310,000.00; therefore, additional cost to PLD will be \$35,000.00, as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Delaune and carried unanimously. Ms. Fredlund moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve to accept mitigation proposal for the Walker/Almedia Pump Station as presented and to allow President Wilson to sign and enter into said proposal as outlined in the amount of 30,000.00 as recommended by committee. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre moved to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$28,023.06 as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Bosco and carried unanimously. Mr. Poche 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 \$11,660.31 for the month of December 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates in the amount of \$460.00 for computer technical support for the month of November 2012, as recommended by committee. Motion carried unanimously. Ms. Fredlund moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve the expenses for the annual Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association to be held on March 18-20, 2013, in Washington, D.C. as recommended by committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Ms. Fredlund reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on January 17, 2013. There were no action items.

STAFF REPORTS

Written reports were given for each of the following projects by the respective engineer and/or representative: *Mr. Delaune left the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

- 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
- h) Maintenance Shop Update

At this time, Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to deviate from agenda order and take up Old and New Business at this time. Motion carried unanimously and members deviated from agenda order.

OLD BUSINESS

At this time, discussion was had relative Memorandum of Agreement between PLD and CPRA. Board Attorney, Dwight Poirrier explained that the written agreement and contract did not reflect the official board minutes relative to potential additional costs. Mr. Poirrier explained that PLD agreed to participate and that PLD would not incur additional costs, yet in contract, paragraph #5 states that any future operational and/or maintenance costs of the System shall be the sole responsibility of the coastal area levee districts. More discussion was had relative to this clause. Discussion included fees and costs of LONO presented to PLD Board. After more discussion, Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to table this matter until clarification. This motion to table matter carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Opening of Leases for St. Charles Parish. Mr. Poirrier stated there were two (2) leases and that two (2) sealed bids were received on each piece of property. Mr. Poirrier was instructed to open and announce said bids.

LEASE #1	Bid #1	From: Beau M. Jones	\$100 per year
	Bid #2	From: Bonnet Carre Rod & Gun	\$5,000 per year

Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to approve Lease #1 with Bonnet Carre Rod & Gun at the bid price of \$5,000.00 per year pending approval by Board Attorney. This motion carried unanimously.

LEASE #2	Bid #1	From: Beau M. Jones	\$752 per year
	Bid #2	From: Lionel Fisher	\$100 per year

Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to approve Lease #2 with Beau M. Jones at the bid price of \$752 per year pending approval by Board Attorney. This motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to return to the regular agenda order. This motion carried unanimously.

LETTERS OF NO OBJECTION

The following requests were presented to the Board for action:

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of January 17, 2013 to extend letter of no objection #11081851 for one (1) year in St. James Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to grant a “Letter of No Objection”. This motion carried unanimously.

Louisiana DOTD – request of January 14, 2013 concerning permission to rehabilitate LA 48 from Westco Street to US 61, between levee stations 5313+00 and 5338+00, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” of USACE dated January 16, 2013 and CPRA dated January 15, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

St. John the Baptist Parish – request of January 7, 2013, through Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation, concerning permission to repair/replace deteriorating sanitary sewer gravity line, between levee stations 4637+00 and 4673+00 and levee stations 4717+00 and 4745+00, at Reserve, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” of USACE dated January 12, 2013 and CPRA dated January 11, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

St. Charles Parish Hospital – request of December 21, 2013, through Professional Service Industries, concerning permission to drill 15 soil borings, between levee stations 5568+00 and 5575+00, at Destrehan, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to grant a “Letter of No Objection” of USACE dated January 3, 2013 and CPRA dated January 4, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Ascension Parish – request of January 7, 2013, through GeoEngineers, Inc., concerning permission to drill 27 soil borings, between levee station 2705+00 and 2895+00, at Darrow, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. . Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” of USACE dated January 9, 2013 and CPRA dated January 11, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Rain CII, LLC – request of November 6, 2012 concerning permission to excavate for foundations expansion for an existing dome and drive 54 piles, levee station 4260+00, at Gramercy, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to grant a “Letter of No Objection” of USACE dated November 28, 2012 and CPRA dated January 11, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Grizzly Gulf Coast Terminal, LLC – request of December 19, 2012, through Eustis Engineering Services, LLC, concerning permission to drill 17 soil borings and 12 cone penetrometer tests, levee station 4005+00, in St. James Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to grant a “Letter of No Objection” of USACE dated January 2, 2013 and CPRA dated December 21, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of November 19, 2012 concerning permission to remove a power pole, anchor and to install one power pole and anchor on the floodside and to install a new power pole on the protected side, levee station 5374+40, at Norco, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to grant a “Letter of No Objection” of USACE dated December 20, 2012 and CPRA dated January 3, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Louisiana State University – request of December 18, 2012, through Eustis Engineering, concerning permission to drill 2 soil borings, levee station 91+00, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in East Baton Rouge Parish. Ms. Fredlund moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” of USACE dated December 27, 2012 and CPRA dated December 21, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Rain CII, LLC – request of December 11, 2012 concerning permission to construct a 6,100 square foot office building at 1140 Jefferson Highway, levee station 4264+00, at Gramercy, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to grant a “Letter of No Objection” of

USACE dated December 21, 2012 and CPRA dated December 18, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

ADM Grain Company – request of March 6, 2012 and October 2, 2012, through Varela & Associates, LLC, concerning permission to renew their permit to dredge sand, levee station 5614+00, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” of USACE dated August 27, 2012 and November 20, 2012 and CPRA dated December 21, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Club South Runners – request of January 18, 2013 to utilize the levee bike path for the 2013 Mardi Gras Mambo 10K and 1 Mile Run in East Baton Rouge Parish. Ms. Fredlund moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection”. This motion carried unanimously.

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport – Environmental Assessment – Future Plans/Impact to PLD. Mr. Junius and Mr. Domangue briefly discussed this matter.

President Wilson read into the record the Thank You letter from the Mississippi River Commission, Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Major General, John W. Peabody.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Susan M. Sheets, Secretary

**Steve Wilson, President
Pontchartrain Levee District**