

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, June 15, 2009, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

June 12, 2009

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 Monday, June 15, 2009 at the Lucher Office, Lucher, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

Vice-President Webb Harelson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Webb Harelson, Jesse Bartley, Bill Addison, Marty Poche, Allen St. Pierre and Tony Cunningham*. Absent were: Mike Delaune, Steve Wilson and Jerry Savoy. (*Absent for roll call.)

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, Jimmy Smith - Maintenance Consultant, Joe Sevario - Executive Assistant to the Board and Dwight Poirrier - PLD Legal Counsel. Special guest included: Bjorn Johnson from G.C.R. & Associates, Les Waguespack of Shaw Coastal, Henry Picard of BKI, Misty Evans and Sarah Kemp from DOTD, Nathan Junius of LH&J and John Monzon of OCPR.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 18, 2009 was offered by Mr. St. Pierre, seconded by Mr. Bartley and unanimously carried.

At this point, Mr. St. Pierre moved to add an Executive Session to the agenda. This motion was seconded by Mr. Addison and carried unanimously. Mr. Bartley then moved to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter for approximately twenty (20) minutes. This motion was seconded by Mr. Poche and carried unanimously. Executive Session began at 6:03 p.m. *At 6:05 p.m., Mr. Cunningham arrived and took his seat at the table. At 6:13 p.m., Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Addison to return to regular session. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Bartley stated for the record that a personnel matter was discussed and no action was necessary at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee: Mr. Jesse Bartley reported on the Finance meeting held on June 9, 2009. Mr. Cunningham moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$30,940.07 as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Next, Mr. Bartley moved, seconded by Mr. Cunningham to approve the invoice from G.C.R. & Associates in the amount of \$21,314.38 for the 100 year protection of the St. Charles Parish, HPL portion of the LP&V project for the period of May 1, 2009 thru May 31, 2009. This motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Cunningham moved to approve the invoice from G.C.R. & Associates for computer technical support work in the amount of \$1,216.09 as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Poche and carried unanimously. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Cunningham to approve the invoice from Board Attorney, Dwight Poirrier in the amount of \$2,749.60 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Bartley moved, seconded by Mr. Addison to approve the invoice from the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association for membership dues in the amount of \$3,860.00 for the fiscal year July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Lastly, Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve the renewal of the official journal through the News Examiner in the amount of \$475.00 per month as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Equipment Committee: Mr. Webb Harelson reported on the meeting held on June 11, 2009. There were no action items to report.

Security/Safety Committee: Mr. Tony Cunningham reported on the security meeting held on June 11, 2009. Mr. Poche moved to approve the purchase of three (3) Strobe Lights in the amount of \$853.20 each for a total of \$2,559.60 as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. St. Pierre and carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Mr. Tony Cunningham reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on June 11, 2009. Mr. Bartley moved, seconded by Mr. Addison to approve the merit increase for employees #7227, 10741, 1575, 2725 and 15388 on their respective anniversary dates as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Addison then moved to approve the renewal of the amended contract for Board Attorney, Dwight Poirrier, for an additional one (1) year as recommended by committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Poche and carried unanimously. Mr. Bartley then moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve the renewal of contract for External Accountant, Clinton Rouyea, under the same terms and conditions for an additional one (1) year as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Lastly, Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve the renewal of contract for Maintenance Consultant, James Smith, under the same terms and conditions for an additional one (1) year as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

A status report was presented by consultants regarding the projects listed below:

- a) West Shore
- b) St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee
- c) Amite River & Tributaries Bayou Manchac & Ecosystem
- d) Laurel Ridge Levee/Bayou Conway –Panama Canal

LETTERS OF NO OBJECTION

The following requests were presented to the Board for action:

Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Bartley to add two (2) letters of no objection to the agenda for consideration. The motion carried unanimously.

Triangle Fleeting, Inc. - request dated February 25, 2009 thru Richard Wright & Associates, concerning permission to expand the existing vehicular parking area and install security light poles and fencing on the floodside of the left descending Mississippi River levee, vicinity of levee station 4725+00, at Reserve, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “NO OBJECTION” to this request as per letters of no objection from the Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District dated June 10, 2009 and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development dated March 4, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

Internal Matex Tank Terminal – request dated September 26, 2008 thru Lanier & Associates, concerning permission to modify and expand an existing docking facility on the floodside of the left descending Mississippi River levee, vicinity of levee station 5715+40, at St. Rose, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Cunningham moved, seconded by Mr. Bartley to grant a “NO OBJECTION” to this request as per letters of no objection from the Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District dated April 6, 2009 and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development verbal email dated June 15, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

Louisiana DOTD – request of May 14, 2009 concerning permission to construct a turn lane near levee station 4960+00, at LaPlace, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Cunningham to grant a “NO OBJECTION” to this request as per letters of no objection from the Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District dated June 4, 2009 and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development dated May 27, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

St. James Parish – request of April 30, 2009 through Southern Earth Sciences, concerning permission to drill one soil boring near levee station 3709+00, at Convent, Louisiana, St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Bartley to grant a “NO OBJECTION” to this request as per letters of no objection from the Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District dated May 4, 2009 and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development dated May 19, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

Nucor Corporation – request of January 22, 2009 through URS Corporation concerning permission to construct a new blast furnace steel mill and dock facility, between levee stations 3320+00 and 3390+00, at Convent, Louisiana in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Cunningham to grant a “NO OBJECTION” to this request as per letters of no objection from the Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District dated May 22, 2009 and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development dated January 27, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

LSU School of Veterinary Medicine - request of April 23, 2009 thru Tipton Associates, concerning permission to construct the Louisiana Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory, to expand the existing mechanical room and to relocate an existing sewer lift station, near levee station 74+00, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in East Baton Rouge Parish. This matter was passed at this time due to final design submission.

International Matex Tank Terminals – request of April 9, 2009 thru Waldemar S. Nelson & Co. Inc., concerning permission to install a pipeline bridge, near levee station 5707+00, at St. Rose, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Cunningham moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to grant a “NO OBJECTION” to this request as per letters of no objection from the Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District dated June 9, 2009 and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development dated May 14, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – a waiver approval letter dated May 19, 2009 from the Corps of Engineers granting a waiver up to +14.0 feet on the Carrollton gage for LONO #09032316 concerning permission to remove four (4) existing wooden poles from the south side of River Road and relocate eight 55 foot poles to the north side of River Road, between levee station 5814+00 and 5824+00, at St. Rose, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Cunningham moved, seconded by Mr. Addison to grant a “NO OBJECTION” to this request. The motion carried unanimously.

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

At this time, the Executive Director relayed President Wilson’s gratitude for the support and thoughts sent by PLD Board Members, Administrative, Maintenance and Police for the loss of a family member.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Bartley questioned the matter regarding the fencing issue. The Executive Director advised that this matter is being further researched and would be reported on next month.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Cunningham moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve the PLD Regular Board Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2010 as presented to the board. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Under public comments, Mr. Rouyea thanked members for the contract renewal and their continued support. Mr. Smith also thanked members.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Mr. Cunningham moved, seconded by Mr. Bartley to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and Vice-President Harelson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

/s/ Susan M. Sheets
Susan M. Sheets, Secretary

/s/ Webb Harelson
**Webb Harelson, Vice-President
Pontchartrain Levee District**

