The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, June 16, 2014, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

June 13, 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 Monday, June 16, 2014 at the Lutcher Office, Lutcher, 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. Steve Wilson, Marty Poche, Jerry Savoy, Pat Bell, Sr., Allen J. St. Pierre, Sr., and Percy Hebert, Jr. Absent were Ricky Bosco, L.C. Irvin, Sr., and Henry Baptiste.

Pontchartrain Levee District employees in attendance were: Messrs. Monica Salins – Executive Director and Lt. Roscoe Brewer- PLD Police Lieutenant. Also in attendance were: Dwight Poirrier – PLD Legal Counsel and Joe Sevario- Executive Assistant to the PLD BOC. Special guest included: A.J. Domangue of G.C.R. & Associates, Nathan Junius of Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Jake Lambert of G.S.A. & Associates, Rhonda Braud of CPRA, Les Waguespack of CB & I, Henry Picard, III of Burk Kleinpeter, Jack Morgan of Evans-Graves and John "Juba" Diez of Volkert, Inc.

Ms. Salins was asked by President Wilson to call the roll of the PLD Board of Commissioners. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of May 19, 2014 was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Bell. There were no public comments and motion passed unanimously.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Security/Safety Committee:** Commissioner Marty Poche reported on the Security/Safety Meeting held on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014. There were no action items to report.

**Equipment Committee:** Commissioner Marty Poche reported on the meeting held on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014. There were no action items to report.

**Finance Committee:** Commissioner Jerry Savoy reported on the Finance Meeting held on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Commissioner St. Pierre moved to approve the expenses for the West-Shore - Civil Works Review Board for July 9<sup>th</sup> and July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 in Washington, DC as recommended by committee on June 12, 2014. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Poche and carried

unanimously. There were no public comments and motion passed. Commissioner Poche moved, seconded by Commissioner St. Pierre to approve to support and proceed with a CEA between PLD and St. James Parish for \$85,000.00 for Phase II of the St. James East Bank Master Drainage Plan as recommended by committee on June 12, 2014. This motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed. Commissioner Bell moved to approve to accept the AR&T Bayou Manchac Project as complete which includes the operation/control of the Frog Bayou and Alligator Bayou water control structures and the water management plan on the wetland resources within the two sub-basins as recommended by committee on June 12, 2014. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Hebert and carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed. Commissioner Poche moved, seconded by Commissioner Hebert to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$48,742.91 as recommended by committee on June 12, This motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Pat Bell motioned, seconded by 2014. Commissioner Hebert to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates in the amount of \$4,927.19 for the month of May 1, 2014 through May 31, 2014 as recommended by committee on June 12, 2014. This motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed. Commissioner St. Pierre moved, seconded by Commissioner Poche to approve the annual membership dues from the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association in the amount of \$3,860.00 as recommended by committee on June 12, 2014. This motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed. Commissioner Hebert moved to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates for computer technical support for the month of April 1, 2014 through April 30, 2014 in the amount of \$2,487.17 as recommended by committee on June 12, 2014. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Bell and carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed. Commissioner Bell moved, seconded by Commissioner Poche to approve the renewal of the official journal with The News Examiner in the amount of \$525.00 per month as recommended by committee on June 12, 2014. This motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed. Commissioner St. Pierre moved, seconded by Commissioner Hebert to approve the Contracts for Professional Services by and between the Legislative Auditor and Broussard & Company for the fiscal years of June 30, 2014, June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$7,550.00 per year as recommended by committee on June 12, 2014. This motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed.

**Personnel Committee:** Mr. St. Pierre reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014. There were no action items to report.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

The Executive Director, Ms. Salins, gave a written report relative to her approval of Letters of No Objections (LONOs) issued as of the date of the board meeting.

At this time, Commissioner Bell moved to add an item to the agenda specific to the Frog Bayou and Alligator Bayou projects. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Savoy and carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed. Commissioner Savoy moved, seconded by Commissioner Bell to authorize President Wilson to work with PLD Board Counsel and respective parishes, Iberville and Ascension, to create a forward path on Frog Bayou and Alligator Bayou projects and proceed with a Memorandum of Agreement between PLD (Pontchartrain Levee District) and said respective parishes, and to wrap up work with CB&I and for PLD to redefine the scope of work and proceed, if applicable, with crafting a Request for Quotes. This motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed. At this time, President Wilson stated that Commissioner L.C. Irvin, Sr., passed on his wishes regarding said motion and for Ms. Salins to make sure that such statement was in the minutes.

Written reports were given for each of the following projects by the respective engineer and/or representative, if present:

- 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 reminded members about the upcoming CEER for 2014 that will be in New Orleans, LA from July 28, 2014 through August 1, 2014. President Wilson also reminded members about the Millage Hearing and Adoption will be held at the next board meeting, July 21, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. Commissioner St. Pierre addressed members about the amount of rain that fell on May 28<sup>th</sup> and May 29<sup>th.</sup>

# **OLD BUSINESS**

Under Old Business, the only item on the agenda was to approve the Committee Assignments provided last month for review. Discussion was had. Commissioner St. Pierre moved, seconded by Commissioner Savoy to approve the PLD Committee Assignments as distributed with one amendment, noting a change of chairman to Committee Assignment No. 12, being Commissioner Pat Bell. This motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Under New Business, the only item on the agenda was to approve the Regular Board Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year June 30, 2015. Commissioner Hebert moved, seconded by Commissioner Bell to approve the Regular Board Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year June 30, 2015.

At this time, Commissioner Savoy moved to add an item to the agenda specific to the House Appropriations Committee releasing the fiscal year 2015 Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Bell and carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed. Commissioner Bell moved, seconded by Commissioner Poche to request that Ms. Salins, on behalf of the PLD Board of Commissioners, send a letter of support to our Congressional Delegation in support of increasing the funding of the MR&T Project to an appropriate level of \$500 Million dollars. This motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments and said motion passed.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Commissioner Savoy questioned the "Public Comments" portion of the agenda, prior to each motion. Much discussion was had.

# ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Commissioner Savoy moved, seconded by Commissioner Poche to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Monica Salins, Executive Director

Steve Wilson, President Pontchartrain Levee District