

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, June 15, 2015, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

June 12, 2015

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 immediately following a Notice of Public Hearing Meeting regarding Millage on Monday, June 15, 2015 at the Lutchter Office, Lutchter, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Patrick Bell, Sr., Percy Hebert, Jr., L.C. Irvin, Sr., Marty J. Poche, Allen J. St. Pierre, Sr., Henry Baptiste, Ricky Bosco, Jerry Savoy and Steve Wilson. Absent: None. Ms. Salins was asked to call the roll and all members were present.

Pontchartrain Levee District employees in attendance were: Messrs. Monica Salins – Executive Director. Also in attendance was: Dwight Poirrier – PLD Legal Counsel, and Joe Sevario – Executive Assistant to the Board. Absent: *Susan Sheets- Board Secretary. Special guest included: A.J. Domangue of GCR & Associates (GCR), Stephen Braquet of Linfield, Hunter & Junius (LH&J), Jake Lambert of Glenn Shaheen & Associates (GSA), Bryan Gossman of CPRA, Hamid Alizadeh of CB&I, Henry Picard, III of Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc. (BKI), Jack Morgan of Evans-Graves Engineers (E-G), Steve Cali of Cali & LaPlace Engineers and Pamela Burleigh of MSMM Engineers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A motion to approve the regular board meeting minutes of the May 18, 2015 meeting was offered by Commissioner Hebert, seconded by Commissioner Baptiste and said motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments and this motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: President Wilson reported on the security meeting held on June 9, 2015. Commissioner Poche moved, seconded by Commissioner Bell to approve moving forward with the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Public Safety Services, Office of State Police and Pontchartrain Levee District and to authorize Board President to sign said MOU as recommended by committee on June 9, 2015. Commissioner Savoy questioned the prior dispatching arrangements and President Wilson advised that the dispatching previously provided by the Port of South Louisiana, would now be handled by the Louisiana State Police whereby giving our officers dispatching 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously. There were no other items within this committee.

Equipment Committee: President Wilson reported on the meeting held on June 9, 2015. There were no action items to report.

Finance Committee: President Wilson reported on the Finance meeting held on June 11, 2015. Commissioner Bosco moved, seconded by Commissioner Irvin to approve authorizing Pontchartrain Levee District to enter into Intergovernmental Agreement with CPRA specific to work being authorized via task order to HNTB Corporation under an existing CPRA Professional Services Indefinite Delivery Quantity (IDIQ) Contract (CPRA Contract No. 2503-14-18). Scope of Services will consist of analyzing two (2) HSDRRS levee segments, specifically LPV 04.2a and LPV 04.2b, with a total of five (5) levee soil reaches, evaluating data, performing site assessments, and CPT texts and soil borings as necessary for an amount not to exceed \$120,930.00, as per Scope of Services and a budgetary cost estimate dated May 15, 2015 from Brad Barth of HNTB to Ignacio Harrouch, P.E. The evaluation will determine if the levee(s) may be lift to Construction Grade (CG) +6 inches (levee only) or if it will require a full lift (including the berms), as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Poche moved, seconded by Commissioner Bosco to approve Approve PLD FY 2014-2015 Line Item Transfers as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015, from Account No. 70331, removing a total of \$140,000.00, and distributing said funds as follows:

\$5,000.00	transfer into Acct. No. 50399
\$1,500.00	transfer into Acct. No. 60262
\$2,350.00	transfer into Acct. No. 60414.20
\$5,000.00	transfer into Acct. No. 60530
\$3,700.00	transfer into Acct. No. 60613
\$7,175.00	transfer into Acct. No. 60631
\$2,437.00	transfer into Acct. No. 60672
\$7,164.00	transfer into Acct. No. 60710
\$98,674.00	transfer into Acct. No. 70119
\$2,000.00	transfer into Acct. No. 70499
\$5,000.00	transfer into Acct. No. 80414.20

There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hebert moved, seconded by Commissioner Savoy to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$50,181.32 as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Irvin moved, seconded by Commissioner Bell to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates in the amount of \$14,268.63 for the month of May 1, 2015 through May 31, 2015 as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hebert moved, seconded by Commissioner Poche to approve the invoice from Linfield, Hunter & Junius in the amount of \$16,903.32 for the New Administrative Complex as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Irvin moved, seconded by Commissioner Baptiste to approve the invoice from Linfield, Hunter & Junius in the amount of \$4,700.00 for Reach 1A-LPV 4.2A and Cheval Subdivision as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner St. Pierre moved, seconded by Commissioner Savoy to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates in the amount of \$1,207.50 for computer technical support for the month of January 1, 2015 through January 31, 2015 as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Savoy moved, seconded by Commissioner Hebert to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates in the amount of \$201.25 for computer technical support for the month of April 1, 2015 through April 30, 2015 as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner St. Pierre moved, seconded by Commissioner Savoy to approve the invoice from the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association in the amount of \$4,750.00 for the 2015-2016 Membership Dues as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Savoy moved, seconded by Commissioner Irvin to approve the renewal of Ruhr Valley Publishing Co., The News Examiner, as of the official journal in the amount of \$525.00 per month as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Bell moved, seconded by Commissioner Hebert to approve the contract for professional Services for Wild Hog and Nutria Population Control for the upper three (3) parishes, specifically East Baton Rouge, Iberville and Ascension, for a period of one (1) year commencing on July 1, 2015, and concluding on June 30, 2016, with Lee Anderson in the amount of \$2,000.00 per month, and authorizing Steve Wilson, PLD Board President, to sign said contract as recommended committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner St. Pierre moved, seconded by Commissioner Bosco to approve the contract for Professional Services for Wild Hog and Nutria Population Control for the lower three (3) parishes, specifically St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Charles and the St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee, for a period of one (1) year commencing on July 1, 2015, and concluding on June 30, 2016, with LA WILD, LLC in the amount of \$2,000.00 per month, and authorizing Steve Wilson, PLD Board President, to sign said contract as recommended committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Irvin moved, seconded by Commissioner Bosco to approve authorizing Steven C. Wilson to sign any and all documents and agreements on behalf of the Pontchartrain Levee District in furtherance of construction of additional levee lifts for the LPV 04.2a and LPV 04.2b levee projects for the Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity, North of Airline Highway, Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System (HSDRRS) in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana, if following geotechnical investigation, determined to be needed as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: President Wilson reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on June 11, 2015.

Commissioner St. Pierre moved, seconded by Commissioner Hebert to approve to renew the Professional Services Contract for James Smith, for another one (1) year term, commencing on August 1, 2015 and concluding on July 31, 2016, as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Irvin moved, seconded by Commissioner Bosco to approve to renew the Professional Services Contract for Lionel Bell, for another one (1) year term, commencing on August 1, 2015 and concluding on July 31, 2016, as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Bell moved, seconded by Commissioner Savoy to approve to renew the Professional Services Contract for Clinton Rouyea, for another one (1) year term, commencing on August 1, 2015 and concluding on July 31, 2016, as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hebert moved, seconded by Commissioner Bell to approve to renew the Professional Services Contract for Dwight Poirrier, for another one (1) year term, commencing on August 1, 2015 and concluding on July 31, 2016, as recommended by committee on June 11, 2015. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director's report was in packet.

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

- a) West Shore-Lake Pontchartrain Hurricane Protection Project (Henry Picard, BKI)
- b) St. Charles Urban/Walker/Amelia Pump Station (Jack Morgan (E-G))--- President Wilson requested that Jack Morgan put together the 95% plans and specs for the next proposed pump station along the St. Charles Parish Hurricane Protection Levee so that President Wilson can present same to the St. Charles Parish Council, Parish President and SCP CAO.
- c) Laurel Ridge Levee/Bayou Conway –Panama Canal/Frog-Alligator Bayou DRAFT Comprehensive Plan (Jake Lambert, GSA)
- d) St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee (AJ Domangue, GCR)
- e) LaBranche Shoreline Protection (Steve Wilson reported for Chris Williams of M&N)
- f) PLD Headquarters (Stephen Braquet, LH&J)

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Only one matter was under "Old Business," specifically approval of the Regular Board Meeting Schedule for FY ending June 30, 2016. Commissioner Hebert moved, seconded by Commissioner Bell to approve the Regular Board Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016. There was no discussion, there were no objections, there were no public comments and this motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

*At 6:50 p.m., Susan Sheets- Board Secretary arrived and took her seat

The following resolution was moved by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Bosco:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Pontchartrain Levee District of the Parishes of East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Ascension, St. James, St. John the Baptist and St. Charles, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on June 15, 2015, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following **adjusted** millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2015, for the purpose of raising revenue:

MILLAGE

General Fund Millage

3.47 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parishes of East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Ascension, St. James, St. John the Baptist and St. Charles, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2015 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Messrs. Henry Baptiste, Patrick Bell, Sr., Ricky Bosco, Percy Hebert, Jr., Leonard C. Irvin, Sr., Marty J. Poche, Jerry Savoy, Allen J. St. Pierre, Sr. and Steve Wilson

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: None.

The following resolution was moved by Commissioner Irvin seconded by Commissioner Bosco:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Pontchartrain Levee District of the Parishes of East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Ascension, St. James, St. John the Baptist and St. Charles, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on June 15, 2015 which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2015, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>2015 Levy</u>
<u>General Fund Millage</u>	<u>3.47 mills</u>	<u>3.52 mills</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parishes of East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Ascension, St. James, St. John the Baptist and St. Charles shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2015 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by no less than two-thirds of the total membership of the taxing authority voting in favor as required by Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B). The votes were:

YEAS: Messrs. Henry Baptiste, Patrick Bell, Sr., Ricky Bosco, Percy Hebert, Jr., Leonard C. Irvin, Sr., Marty J. Poche, Allen J. St. Pierre, Sr. and Steve Wilson

NAYS: Mr. Jerry Savoy

ABSTAINED: None.

ABSENT: None.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Commissioner Bell moved, seconded by Commissioner Baptiste to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Monica Salins, Executive Director

Steve Wilson, President
Pontchartrain Levee District