

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, March 25, 2013, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

March 22, 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 immediately following the budget public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 25, 2013 at the Lucher Office, Lucher, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Steve Wilson, Ricky Bosco, Mike Delaune, L.C. Irvin, Marty Poche, Allen St. Pierre, Jerry Savoy and Ms. Alice Fredlund. Absent: None.

Pontchartrain Levee District employees in attendance were: Monica Salins – Executive Director, Dean Smith – Police Captain and Susan M. Sheets - Secretary to the Board. Also in attendance were: Joe Sevario – Executive Assistant to the Board, Clinton Rouyea – External Accountant and Dwight Poirrier – PLD Legal Counsel. Special guest included: A.J. Domangue of G.C.R. & Associates, Les Waguespack of CBI, Nathan Junius of Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Jake Lambert of G.S.A. & Associates, Jack Morgan Evans-Graves Engineers, Henry Picard of Burk Kleinpeter, Eric Poche of SJB Group, Paul Tschirky of Moffatt & Nichol, Eric Poche of SJP Group, Brett Berard of Berard Transportation, Chad Gerfers of CBI and Charles Preston of Noranda.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 25, 2013, was offered by Mr. Irvin, seconded by Mr. Bosco and unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: Mr. Mike Delaune reported on the security meeting held on March 12, 2013. There were no action items to report.

Equipment Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the meeting held on March 12, 2013. There were no action items to report.

Finance Committee: Mr. Jerry Savoy reported on the Finance meeting held on March 14, 2013. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$39,045.23 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 in the amount of

\$9,824.24 for the month of February 1, 2013 through February 28, 2013 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Ms. Alice Fredlund reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on March 14, 2013. There were no action items to report.

STAFF REPORTS

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) Mississippi River Levee Multi-Use Trail
- f) St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee
- g) LaBranche Wetlands

LETTERS OF NO OBJECTION

The following requests were presented to the Board for action:

Noranda Alumina, LLC – request of February 14, 2013 concerning permission to conduct soil borings and excavation work, levee station 4284+00, at Gramercy, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated February 26, 2013 and CPRA dated March 7, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Maurepas Diversion Canal Structure – request of December 19, 2013 through URS Corporation, concerning permission to drill two (2) soil borings, levee station 4353+00, at Garyville, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated January 1, 2013 and CPRA dated December 21, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Marathon Petroleum, LLC – request of February 26, 2013 concerning permission to excavate to install a support for a new electrical cable tray near Tank 500-2, levee station 4506+00, at Garyville, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated February 27, 2013 and CPRA dated March 13, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

LSU Vet School SAVMA Symposium – request of February 15, 2013 concerning permission to host a 5K race on bike path in East Baton Rouge Parish. Ms. Fredlund moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request. This motion carried unanimously.

BASF – request of February 21, 2013 through Lanier & Associates, concerning permission to install and maintain a new barge dolphin, levee station 2320+00, at Geismar, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated February 20, 2013 and CPRA dated March 5, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

St. Charles Borromeo Church – request of February 28, 2013 concerning permission to park vehicles on the levee for the annual Little Red Church Food & Fun Festival held on May 3, 4 & 5, 2013 in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request. This motion carried unanimously.

Raven Energy, LLC – request of December 14, 2012 through C-K Associates, LLC, concerning permission to perform work for the Stacker Reclaimer Expansion Project, between levee station 3455+00 and 3480+00, at Convent, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated March 5, 2013 and CPRA dated March 7, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Shell Chemical, LP – request of January 23, 2013 through Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., concerning permission to drive 110 30-inch diameter auger cast piles or steel piles, levee station 2355+00, at Geismar, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated March 6, 2013 and CPRA dated February 25, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of February 18, 2013 concerning permission to install nine (9) power poles and two (2) anchors for the Impala Construction Yard at 4258 Louisiana Highway 44, levee station 3024+00, at Darrow, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated February 27, 2013 and CPRA dated February 27, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Evergreen Baptist Church – request of March 13, 2013 to carry out the re-enactment of the “Crucifixion of Christ: on Friday, March 29, 2013 in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of March 19, 2013 to extend letters of no objection #111121132, #111121131, 111121139, 111121140 and 111121143 for one (1) year in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request. This motion carried unanimously.

Cargill, Inc. – request of January 3, 2013 concerning permission to renew their permit to dredge sand, between levee station 4557+00 and 4584+00, at Reserve, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated March 21, 2013 and CPRA dated January 28, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Dupont (Pontchartrain Site) – request of March 12, 2013 concerning permission to repair a leaking fire main, levee station 4780+00, at LaPlace, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated March 21, 2013 and CPRA dated March 13, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Berard Transportation, Inc. – request of March 20, 2013 through Gulf South Engineering and Testing, Inc., concerning permission to drill a soil boring and perform a cone penetrometer test at the Barber Brothers’ Waterloo site, levee station 2234+00, at Geismar, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated March 21, 2013 and CPRA dated March 21, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

A.I.M. Logistics, Inc. – request of March 21, 2013 through Gulf South Engineering and Testing, Inc., concerning permission to drill a soil boring and perform a cone penetrometer test at the Barber Brothers’ Waterloo site, levee station 2234+00, at Geismar, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated March 22, 2013 and CPRA dated March 21, 2013 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

President Wilson gave an update relative to the recent Washington, D.C. meetings and the WRDA bill. Brief discussion was had.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Fredlund moved to add an item to the agenda regarding the MOA with CPRA. This motion was seconded by Mr. Poche and carried unanimously. President Wilson explained that the memorandum of understanding with CPRA relative to the permitting software had been finalized. At this time, Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to allow Steve Wilson, President of Pontchartrain Levee District to sign and execute the Memorandum of Agreement between the State of Louisiana through the Coastal Protection & Restoration Authority and All Coastal Area Levee Authorities for the contribution of funds for the development and delivery of a Levee Permit Automation Software and Database. This motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Savoy and seconded by Mr. St. Pierre:

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Louisiana has requested all state governing boards, agencies political subdivisions to adopt a budget for each fiscal year, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District, in order to be in compliance with Acts 1985, No. 785, effective July 22, 1985 (LA R.S. 38:318) and to honor the request and intent of the Legislature, and;

WHEREAS, the major mission of said district is to maintain the east bank Mississippi River levee system as defined in LA R.S. 38:291 (L), to insure the levee integrity and capability, to safely understand river stages and hurricane tidal surges, and;

WHEREAS, said District's additional purpose is to construct or support construction by others of new or enhanced levels of protection, to anticipate weaknesses in the levee system in order to avoid flooding caused by high river stages or hurricane tidal surges, and;

WHEREAS, careful consideration has been given to the assets and liabilities of the Pontchartrain Levee District, and;

WHEREAS, considering taxing revenues and other income and reviewing the anticipated expenditures of said District,

NOW, THEREFORE, with the recommendations of the Administrative Staff of the Pontchartrain Levee District, the following budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 be adopted:

SEE ADDENDUM "A"

Anyone having any objection to the foregoing budget should contact the Board Office in Lusher, Louisiana and a public hearing will be scheduled.

The resolution to adopt the budget carried unanimously and is therefore adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Susan M. Sheets, Secretary

**Steve Wilson, President
Pontchartrain Levee District**