

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, November 19, 2012, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

November 16, 2012

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, November 19, 2012 at the Lutchter Office, Lutchter, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Steve Wilson, Mike Delaune, Marty Poche, L.C. Irvin, Allen St. Pierre and Ms. Alice Fredlund . Absent were: Jerry Savoy and Ricky Bosco.

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 was: Dwight Poirrier – PLD Legal Counsel, Clinton Rouyea – External Accountant and Joe Sevario – Executive Assistant to the Board. Special guest included: A.J. Domangue of G.C.R. & Associates, Nathan Junius of Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Jake Lambert of G.S.A. & Associates, Jack Morgan of Evans Graves Engineers, Eric Poche of SJB Group, Chris Williams of Moffatt & Nichol, Rhonda Braud of CPRA, Henry Picard of Burke Kleinpeter, Les Waguespack of Shaw, William Cagle of Morris P. Hebert and Tommy Martin of Stuart Consulting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the budget hearing of October 15, 2012 was offered by Mr. Delaune and seconded by Mr. Irvin. This motion carried unanimously. Ms. Fredlund then moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of October 15, 2012. This motion also carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: Mr. Mike Delaune reported on the security meeting held on November 13, 2012. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Pontchartrain Levee District and the Port of South Louisiana to authorize PLD President, Steve Wilson, to execute and proceed with said agreement for 24 hour dispatching services for the PLD Police Department for a term of one (1) year, payment for said service will be made on a quarterly basis as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin moved to promote Roscoe Brewer to the vacant Lieutenant position of the PLD Police Department and that Lieutenant Brewer serve a nine (9) month probationary period beginning November 19, 2012, as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Equipment Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the meeting held on November 13, 2012. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the quote and proceed with purchase from Bobcat, a root grapple and fork system, in the amount of \$3,649.10 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee: Mr. Jerry Savoy reported on the Finance meeting held on November 13, 2012. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve and authorize the Executive Director to move forward and obtain the necessary banking requirements to facilitate this permitting process which includes opening a PayPal account, a separate PLD Letter of No Objection checking account, as well as the necessary steps for electronic signatures, as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Delaune then moved to approve the invoice from the Amite River Basin Commission (ARBC) in the amount of \$181,888.00 for the Lily Bayou borrow site material for Duncan Point and approve the payment of the additional \$2,250.00 for the additional material, to be invoiced by ARBC at a later date. This motion was seconded by Mr. Irvin and carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve to amend the contract with Moffatt & Nichol for the levee shoreline enhancement and protection project to provide construction oversight for the project as set forth and requested in the amount of \$47,000.00 and authorize LD President, Steve Wilson, to execute said amendment, as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve and authorize PLD President, Steve Wilson, to execute the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the PLD and City of St. Gabriel specific to the bike path as recommended by committee. This motion also carried unanimously. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve and authorize PLD President, Steve Wilson, to execute and move forward with the contract for Emergency Operation and Maintenance Services for the Cross Bayou Pump Station between the Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District and BLD Services, L.L.C., as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre then moved to approve and authorize PLD President, Steve Wilson, to execute and move forward with the contract for Inspection, Operation and Maintenance of the Cross Bayou Pump Station between the Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District and BLD Services, L.L.C. as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Delaune and carried unanimously. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve to amend the Laurel Ridge contract amount and authorize payment for the additional \$41,175.75 as requested and to authorize PLD President, Steve Wilson, to execute said amendment as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche moved to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$74,568.54 as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Delaune and carried unanimously. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve the invoice from G.C.R. and Associates for the St. Charles Parish Hurricane Protection 100 year protection in the amount of \$10,372.20 for the month of October 1, 2012 through October 31, 2012 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates in the amount of \$830.82 for computer technical support for the month of September 2012, as recommended by committee. Motion carried unanimously. Lastly, Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve half the expenses for the External Accountant to attend the AGA conference on December 4-5, 2012, held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Ms. Fredlund reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on November 13, 2012. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve and authorize the Executive Director to move forward and submit the necessary paperwork to State Civil Service pertaining to the Levee Board Operations Superintendent job description changes bringing said employee to the third quartile and to appear and have this item placed on the State Civil Service December Commission date as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

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
- h) Maintenance Shop Update

LETTERS OF NO OBJECTION

The following requests were presented to the Board for action:

President Wilson stated that there were two (2) requests to add and consider to the agenda Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to add these requests to the agenda. The motion to add these requests carried unanimously.

Goldking Onshore Operating – request dated November 15, 2012, through Fenstermaker, concerning permission to drill an oil well, levee station 1781+00, in Iberville Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 15, 2012 and CPRA dated November 19, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

St. Charles Parish – request dated November 19, 2012, through Professional Service Industries, Inc., concerning permission to drill one soil boring for the proposed culvert crossing Number 5 Spillway Road, levee station 5225+00, in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 15, 2012 and CPRA dated November 19, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. – request of January 31, 2012 and revised October 2, 2012 through Morris P. Hebert, Inc., concerning permission to install 11,014 feet of one 12-inch pipeline on the protected side of the St. Charles Parish Hurricane Protection Levee, between levee station 75+00 and 130+00, at Norco, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 1, 2012 and CPRA dated February 2, 2012 and October 15, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

St. John the Baptist Parish School Board – request of October 22, 2012 through CSRS, Inc., concerning permission to perform the emergency facilities installation at Leon C. Godchaux Academy Campus, levee station 4608+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 November 6, 2012 and CPRA dated October 31, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

BASF – request of November 7, 2012 through Lanier & Associates Consulting Engineers, Inc., concerning permission to install two (2) downstream mooring dolphin protection monopoles at 8404 Highway 75, levee station 2322+00, at Geismar, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated October 18, 2012 and CPRA dated October 29, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

City of Baton Rouge – request of October 31, 2012 to extend letter of no objection #11081583 for an additional two years in East Baton Rouge Parish. Ms. Fredlund moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of October 22, 2012 concerning permission to replace one (1) rotten power pole at 152 Annex Street, levee station 5409+60.3, at Destrehan, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 6, 2012 and CPRA dated October 24, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of October 22, 2012 concerning permission to replace one (1) rotten power pole at the Destrehan Plantation Gift Shop, levee station 5585+01.1, at Destrehan, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 6, 2012 and CPRA dated October 24, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of October 22, 2012 concerning permission to replace a pole at 3160 Reverend Dr. Samuel Jones Street, levee station 3885+00, at Paulina, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 6, 2012 and CPRA dated October 24, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

LSR Sugar Refinery – request of October 4, 2012 through Environmental Resources Management, concerning permission to modify letter of no objection #12072389 which includes performing an additional excavation approximately 170 feet landward of the levee, levee station 4223+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 2, 2012 and CPRA dated October 9, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

International Matex Tank Terminals – Geismar – request of October 18, 2012 through CDI Engineering Solutions, concerning permission to construct the caustic storage and marine loading facilities, levee station 2320+00, at Geismar, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 6, 2012 and CPRA dated October 24, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of October 8, 2012 concerning permission to install two (2) power poles and to replace one (1) power pole at 17234 Highway 628, levee station 5165+00, at Montz, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated October 12, 2012 and CPRA dated October 12, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Norco Civic Association – request of October 8, 2012 concerning permission to land a helicopter on the levee, near levee station 5320+00, at Norco, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of October 22, 2012 concerning permission to replace one (1) rotten power pole at 111 Vans Lane, levee station 5437+12.5, at Destrehan, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated October 31, 2012 and CPRA dated October 24, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of October 22, 2012 concerning permission to replace one (1) power pole at Clement Street and River Road, levee station 5414+38, at Destrehan, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 15, 2012 and CPRA dated October 24, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of October 22, 2012 concerning permission to replace a power pole at Vans Lands and River Road, levee station 5442+81, at Destrehan, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 15, 2012 and CPRA dated October 24, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

PL Midstream LLC – request of October 19, 2012 and revised November 8, 2012 through Morris P. Hebert, Inc., concerning permission to directional bore a 12-inch brine pipeline, levee station 1700+00, in Iberville Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 13, 2012 and CPRA dated November 13, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

St. James Parish – request of August 20, 2012 concerning permission to replace existing undersized waterlines with lines that meet current standards, increase the number of fire hydrants to that required by local codes, and where appropriate, loop waterlines between dead-end street in St. James Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to grant a “Letter of No Objection of CPRA dated October 24, 2012 and Solicitation of Views from USACE and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Denbury Onshore, LLC – request of October 19, 2012 through Project Consulting Services, Inc., concerning permission to cover an existing 20 inch pipeline, levee station 2121+00, in Iberville Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 14, 2012 and CPRA dated November 16, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

International Matex Tank Terminals – request of March 26, 2012, May 31, 2012 and September 14, 2012, through Lanier & Associates, concerning permission to install a new bridge crossing and to revise LONO #100927118 to construct a new elevated transformer platform, ground flare concrete supported skid platform, pile supported skid platform, transformer platform extension and walkway, levee station 5715+50, at St. Rose, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection of USACE dated November 7, 2012 and CPRA dated November 8, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District – request of September 25, 2012 from Linda C. LaBure, New Orleans District Real Estate Chief, Real Estate Region South Division to Steve Wilson, President of the Pontchartrain Levee District for right-of-entry for a period of one-year beginning January 1, 2013 and ending December 31, 2013 for vehicle parking areas in connection with Mississippi River Levees annual maintenance dredging at various deep and shallow draft crossings located in East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Ascension, St. James, and St. Charles Parish, Louisiana as shown on maps entitled “Red Eye Crossing ROE, Sardine Point Crossing ROE, Medora Crossing ROE, Granada Crossing ROE, Bayou Goula Crossing ROE, Alhambra Crossing ROE, Philadelphia Crossing ROE, Smoke Bend Crossing ROE, Rich Bend/Belmont Crossing ROE and Fairview Crossing ROE,” dated November, 2009. Said grant of right-of-entry is predicated on notification of private landowners pursuant to Louisiana State Legislative Act 182 (Revised Statute 38:301) (D). Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to approve right of entry as requested. This motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

President Wilson briefly discussed the upcoming Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana and Mississippi Valley Flood Control conferences being held in New Orleans from December 5-8, 2012 and asked members to confirm their attendance and reservations with the Board Secretary.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Under public comments, President Wilson reminded members that the PLD Annual Christmas Celebration would be immediately following the regular Board Meeting on Monday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m. It would once again be a pot luck supper and members were asked to give their dish intentions to the Board Secretary.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Susan M. Sheets, Secretary

**Steve Wilson, President
Pontchartrain Levee District**