

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, October 18, 2010, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

October 15, 2010

Dear Sir:

You are hereby notified that a public meeting and 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, October 18, 2010 at the Lucher Office, Lucher, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,  
Executive Director

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Marty Poche, Jerry Savoy, L.C. Irvin, Mike Delaune, Allen St. Pierre and Steve Wilson. Absent was Tony Cunningham.

Pontchartrain Levee District employees in attendance were: Messrs. Monica Salins – Executive Director and Susan M. Sheets - Secretary to the Board and Dwight Poirrier – PLD Legal Counsel. Also in attendance were: Clinton Rouyea - External Accountant and Joe Sevario – Executive Assistant to the Board. Special guest included: A.J. Domangue and Mona Nosari of G.C.R. & Associates, Les Waguespack of Shaw, Nathan Junius and Stephen Braquet of Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Jake Lambert of G.S.A. & Associates, Jack Morgan of Evans Graves Engineers, Henry Picard of Burk Kleinpeter, Eric Poche of SJB Group, Jonathan Hird of Moffatt Nichol and Billy Wall of OCPR.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 27, 2010, was offered by Mr. Savoy, seconded by Mr. Poche and unanimously carried.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Security/Safety Committee:** Mr. Marty Poche reported on the security meeting held on October 12, 2010. There were no action items to report.

**Equipment Committee:** Mr. Marty Poche reported on the meeting held on October 12, 2010. There were no action items to report.

**Finance Committee:** Mr. Jerry Savoy reported on the Finance meeting held on October 14, 2010. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and authorize PLD President to execute the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Town of Lucher, St. James Parish and the St. James Parish School Board to provide materials and

assist in said drainage project and PLD costs not exceed \$148,000.00 following the draft and preparation by PLD Board Counsel as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin then moved to approve to move the November Finance and Personnel committee meetings to Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010, due to legal holiday on Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010. This motion was seconded by Mr. Delaune and carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$64,190.17 as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Delaune then 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 \$53,977.49 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to approve the invoice from G.C.R. & Associates for computer technical support from April 1, 2010 through August 31, 2010 in the amount of \$1,897.50 as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously.

**Personnel Committee:** Mr. Marty Poche reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on October 14, 2010. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the merit increases for November for the following employees Nos. 001008, 002835 and 013942, on their respective anniversary dates, and re-rate employee no. 015698 when eligible as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

## STAFF REPORTS

Updated 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:

At this time, Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to add a request for letter of no objection to the agenda. This motion carried unanimously and this item was taken up first.

**St. Charles Parish School Board** – request of September 30, 2010 through Murray Architects concerning permission to drive 323 piles (330 total; 7 are test pile) for the Harry Hurst Middle School Wing addition at levee station 5556+35 at Destrehan, Louisiana, St. Charles 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 October 13, 2010 and OCPR dated October 18, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

**River Road Historical Society** – request of October 11, 2010 to park vehicles on the levee during our Fall Festival to be held on November 13 & 14, 2010, Destrehan, Louisiana, St. Charles Parish. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request. This motion carried unanimously.

**Motiva Enterprises, LLC** – request of August 31, 2010 through CDI Engineering Solutions, concerning permission to install drilled shafts and an underground pipe, between levee stations 3099+92 and 3112+00, in St. James Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Poche 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 October 14, 2010 and OCPR dated September 16, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

**L.G. Carter** – request of October 12, 2010 through J.L. Arnold, Inc., concerning permission to drill three (3) soil borings for the proposed Carter Residence, levee station 4073+65, at Paulina, 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 October 14, 2010 and OCPR dated October 13, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

**Entergy Louisiana, LLC** – request of September 30, 2010, concerning permission to drill seven (7) soil borings at the Entergy Little Gypsy Generating Plant, levee station 5145+00, at Montz, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre 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 October 12, 2010 and OCPR dated October 7, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

**Valero St. Charles Refinery** – request of July 9, 2010, concerning permission to upgrade a dock at 14902 River Road by installing a new dolphin, levee station 5370+00, at Norco, Louisiana, in St. Charles 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 October 7, 2010 and OCPR dated September 23, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

**Bunge North America** – request of May 31, 2010 revised August 5, 2010, through Richard Wright & Associates, Inc., concerning permission to construct a proposed dock platform at the back face of the existing ship dock, levee station 5642+70, at Destrehan, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre 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 September 27, 2010 and OCPR dated June 30, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

**Kirby Inland Marine, LP** – request of August 20, 2010, through Lanier & Associates, concerning permission to install two (2) traffic mirror poles on the crown of the levee to provide increased safety at a roadway levee crossing, levee station 242+54.7, in East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibition set forth in the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated September 29, 2010 and OCPR dated September 2, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

**Burkhalter Rigging, Inc.** – modification request of September 2, 2010 to letter of no objection #10062174, concerning permission to perform additional engineering analyses for the levee crossing, levee station 2238+81, 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 September 27, 2010 and OCPR dated September 29, 2010 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

### **RIGHTS OF ENTRY**

**Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District** – request of July 9, 2010 from Linda C. LaBure, Chief of Real Estate Division, to the Pontchartrain Levee District for right-of-entry for a period of one-year starting January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011, to perform surveys, stone repairs, and articulated concrete mattress repair work on revetments located in East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Ascension, St. James, St. John the Baptist, and St. Charles Parish, Louisiana, as shown on the maps entitled “Revetment Right-of-Way Plan, Pontchartrain Levee District, Mississippi River Channel Improvement Project,” file number H-13-47338, sheet identification numbers C-01 and C-02, dated February 1, 2010. This right of entry is predicated upon notification of private levee ramp owners. Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to grant request as presented. This motion carried unanimously.

**Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District** – request of August 16, 2010 from Linda C. LaBure, Chief of Real Estate Division, to the Pontchartrain Levee District for right-of-entry for a period of one-year starting January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011, to perform annual maintenance dredging at various deep and shallow draft crossings of the Mississippi River, located 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, Fairview Crossing ROE ,” dated November, 2009. This right of entry is predicated upon notification of private levee ramp owners. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Delaune to grant request as presented. This motion also carried unanimously.

### **PRESIDENT’S REMARKS**

President Wilson reminded members about the change in the committee meeting schedule for next month. Again, all committee meetings will be held on Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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**Susan M. Sheets, Secretary**

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**Steve C. Wilson, President  
Pontchartrain Levee District**