

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, October 15, 2012, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

October 12, 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, October 15, 2012 at the Lutchet Office, Lutchet, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Steve Wilson, Ricky Bosco, Mike Delaune, Marty Poche, L.C. Irvin, 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 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 and Paul Tschirky of Moffatt & Nichol, Rhonda Braud of CPRA, Henry Picard of Burk-Kleinpeter, Les Waguespack of Shaw, Adam Parker and Joe Woodford of Parkway Pipeline Project.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of September 24, 2012 was offered by Ms. Fredlund and seconded by Mr. Savoy. This motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: Mr. Mike Delaune reported on the security meeting held on October 9, 2012. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve the purchase of dress uniforms in the amount of \$3,128.70 from Vinson Uniform, as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Equipment Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the meeting held on October 9, 2012. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to approve the truck repairs in the amount of \$5,189.68 by Mark's Body Shop as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Bonfire Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the meeting held on October 9, 2012. Mr. Savoy moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the 2012 Bonfire Season Guidelines subject to review and approval by PLD Board Counsel and to allow PLD President, Steve Wilson, to execute the Hold Harmless Agreements between PLD and all governmental entities that participate in this tradition as recommended by committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee: Mr. Jerry Savoy reported on the Finance meeting held on October 11, 2012. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve the resolution of project acceptance relative to the Cross Bayou Pump Station, as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Bosco then moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve to proceed with the public advertisement of the three (3) lease properties and prepare same for public bid according to state statute as recommended by committee. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the PLD and Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana and to allow PLD President Steve Wilson, to execute said agreement as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Bosco and carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$54,234.03 as recommended by committee. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Ms. Fredlund to approve the invoice from G.C.R. and Associates for the St. Charles Parish Hurricane Protection 100 year protection in the amount of \$10,171.21 for the month of September 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Ms. Fredlund reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on October 11, 2012. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Savoy to approve to grant a 4% merit increase to all PLD Civil Service employees as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Savoy then moved, seconded by Mr. Bosco to move the November 15, 2012 Personnel Committee meeting to Tuesday, November 13, 2012 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 deviated from agenda order and took up the last letter of no objection dealing with Parkway Pipeline, LLC.

Parkway Pipeline, LLC – request of December 22, 2011, through T. Baker Smith, LLC, concerning permission to install a 16 inch pipeline through the St. Charles Parish Hurricane Protection levee/floodwall, baseline station 1+00, at Norco, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. Poche 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 August 9, 2012 and CPRA dated October 12, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

*Members returned to the regular agenda order.

Nucor Steel Louisiana – request of July 6, 2012, revised August 14, 2012, through URS Corporation, concerning permission to install a portable waterline and install two (2) raw-water lines and blowdown line, levee station 3328+00 and 3349+06 near Convent, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Delaune 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 October 1, 2012 and CPRA dated July 11, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Mississippi River Ventures – request of November 21, 2011 through Richard Wright & Associates, Inc. concerning permission to perform maintenance dredging of 4.9 acres, between levee stations 5848+00, at St. Rose, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco 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 September 25, 2012 and CPRA dated November 29, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

State of Louisiana Office of Facility Planning – request of September 25, 2012 through Terracon Consultants, Inc., concerning permission to drill eight (8) soil borings and to perform eight (8) cone penetrometer tests, levee station 55+00, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in East Baton Rouge Parish. Ms. Fredlund 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 4, 2012 and CPRA dated October 1, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Paulina Elementary – request of September 24, 2012, through Stafford Construction Inc., concerning permission to construct additions to the Classroom & Media Center, levee station 4074+00, at Paulina, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche 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 28, 2012 and CPRA dated October 5, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Magnolia Fleet, LLC – request of August 27, 2012 through AB Marine Consulting, LLC, concerning permission to perform maintenance dredging of the existing fleet, levee station 5493+00, at Destrehan, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco 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 5, 2012 and CPRA dated September 19, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of October 1, 2012 concerning permission to extend letter of no objection #111017117 for one (1) year, 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 August 4, 2011 and CPRA dated August 2, 2011 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Belle Chasse Marine Transportation, Inc. – request of March 20, 2012, April 12, 2012 and October 1, 2012, through Richard Wright & Associates, Inc., concerning permission to install a boat launch landing levee station 5310+00, at Norco, Louisiana, in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco 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 September 6, 2012 and CPRA dated October 3, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Ascension Water Company – request of September 20, 2012 concerning permission to install a 4-inch PVC line extension with a 2-inch meter on Hwy. 44 at River Road, levee station 2980+00, in Ascension Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Delaune moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request, per the requirements and prohibitions of the Letters of No Objection of USACE dated October 1, 2012 and CPRA dated October 1, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Entergy Louisiana, LLC – request of September 18, 2012 concerning permission to install a new power pole at 126 West 2nd Street, levee station 4891+00, at LaPlace, 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 October 1, 2012 and CPRA dated September 25, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Nucor Steel Louisiana – request of September 13, 2012 concerning permission to modify letter of no objection 09061538 which includes removing a portion of the heavy haul road, placing rock along the bank and transporting an additional vessel across the levee, levee station 3351+00, in St. James Parish, Louisiana. 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 4, 2012 and CPRA dated October 3, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

River Road Historical Society – request of October 1, 2012 concerning permission to park vehicles on the base of the levee during their Fall Festival to be held on November 10 & 11, 2012 in St. Charles Parish. Mr. Bosco moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre to grant a “Letter of No Objection” to this request. This motion carried unanimously.

Mosaic Fertilizer, Inc. – request of October 1, 2012 concerning permission to excavate and install new piping to upgrade the firewater supply pipeline and relocate the hydrant within the Uncle Sam Plant, levee station 3516+00, at Uncle Sam, Louisiana, in St. James Parish. Mr. Poche 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 9, 2012 and CPRA dated October 5, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Crosstex Energy Services – request of October 2, 2012 through Teague Nall & Perkins, concerning permission to construct a railroad spur facility with elevated catwalk and pipeline improvements, pump foundation, MCC electrical building, pipe supports, plant metering facility, install light poles, electrical conduit and related structures, levee station 2197+50 and 2208+50, 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 October 9, 2012 and CPRA dated October 5, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Convent Marine Terminal – request of October 2, 2012 through Eustis Engineering, concerning permission to drill two (2) soil boring on the landside, drill two (2) soil borings on the floodside and drill three (3) soil borings along the river bank, levee station 3461+00, at Convent, Louisiana, in St. James 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 October 9, 2012 and CPRA dated October 12, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Marathon Petroleum Company LP – request of October 5, 2012 concerning permission to install new foundations at Tank 300-2, levee station 4545+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 October 12, 2012 and CPRA dated October 9, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

Dupont Burnside – request of June 4, 2012, revised October 9, 2012, concerning permission to replace two (2) sumps approximately 550 feet to 825 feet landward, between levee stations 3035+00 to 3040+00, at Darrow, 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 June 4, 2012 and CPRA dated October 12, 2012 and reaffirmed by PLD. This motion carried unanimously.

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

President Wilson stated that the Bayou Trepagnier Presentation would be presented at the CPRA Meeting, tomorrow October 17, 2012.

OLD BUSINESS

At this time, President Wilson and Mr. Bosco had questions pertaining to a LONO request from Belle Chasse Marine as referenced earlier in the meeting. Discussion was had. It was determined by President Wilson that said LONO was to be held until further notice and until Levee Board Operations Superintendent Steib could obtain some clarification from the engineering firm, as well as, have said LONO modified to include certain safety requirements as discussed. Once said modifications had been made and satisfied by all parties, then same will be released.

NEW BUSINESS

At this time, Mr. Savoy questioned the hauling going on out at the Bonnet Carre' Spillway in St. Charles Parish. Brief discussion was had.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Under public comments, Ms. Fredlund briefly discussed the recent outdoor concert held at the new L'Auberge Casino in Baton Rouge, LA and stated that the levee looked fine after the concert. Ms. Fredlund then discussed an area upriver from the casino where there seems to be a 'make do' ramp which was very unacceptable and it seems that dredgers and hay farmers were rutting the toe of the levee rather than using a designated ramp. Discussion was had. Lt. Brewer would investigate said area.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Mr. Delaune, seconded by Mr. Poche to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Susan M. Sheets, Secretary

**Steve Wilson, President
Pontchartrain Levee District**