

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, October 21, 2013, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

October 18, 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 at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 21, 2013 at the Lutchter Office, Lutchter, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins,
Executive Director

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Steve Wilson, Marty Poche, L.C. Irvin, Allen J. St. Pierre, Sr. and Pat Bell. Absent were: Jerry Savoy and Ricky Bosco. *Quorum with President Wilson voting on all matters.

Pontchartrain Levee District employees in attendance were: Messrs. Monica Salins – Executive Director, Dean Smith – Police Captain, Kenneth Steib – Levee Board Operations Superintendent 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, Chris Williams of Moffatt & Nichol, Rhonda Braud of CPRA, Les Waguespack of C.B.I., Lyles Budden of CSRS Inc., David Boyd of BKI and Nickie Monica.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the minutes of the regular board meeting of September 23, 2013 was offered by Mr. Irvin, seconded by Mr. Bell and carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the security meeting held on October 15, 2013. There were no action items to report.

Equipment Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the meeting held on October 15, 2013. There were no action items to report.

Finance Committee: Mr. Allen St. Pierre reported on the Finance meeting held on October 17, 2013. Mr. Irvin moved to approve the additional cost associated with resolution of comments on the August 2013 West Shore Lake Pontchartrain Draft Integrated Feasibility Report in the amount of \$300,000.00 as recommended by committee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Poche and carried unanimously. Mr. Irvin then moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to approve the regular monthly invoices

in the amount of \$67,600.04 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the invoices from G.C.R. and Associates for the St. Charles Parish Hurricane Protection Project in the amount of \$16,981.09 for the month of September 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013 as recommended by committee. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. Bell moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates in the amount of \$402.50 for computer technical support for the months of May 1, 2013 through August 31, 2013 as recommended by committee. Motion carried unanimously. At this time, President Wilson commended the PLD External Accountant, Mr. Clinton Rouyea, on PLD's trial audit coming out to the penny. Mr. Rouyea was thanked for his diligence and attention to detail.

Personnel Committee: Mr. Allen St. Pierre reported on the Personnel meeting which was held on October 17, 2013. There were no action items to report.

Bonfire Committee: Mr. Marty Poche reported on the Bonfire Meeting which was held on October 17, 2013. Mr. St. Pierre moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the 2013 Bonfire Guidelines and authorize PLD Board President Steve Wilson to sign the Christmas Bonfire Agreements with all governmental entities as recommended by committee. Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

The Executive Director, Ms. Salins, gave a written report relative to her approval of Letters of No Objections (LONOs) issued as of the date of the board meeting.

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) St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee
- f) LaBranche Wetlands**

*Under Amite River & Tributaries' update, Mr. Waguespack gave an update relative to a recent meeting with Iberville officials. Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Bell to add an item to the agenda relative to the Bayou Manchac project. This motion to add carried unanimously. Mr. Bell then moved to move forward and allow Board Counsel to negotiate the path forward and funding issues relative to said project with Ascension Parish, East Ascension Parish Gravity, Iberville and PLD. This motion was seconded by Mr. Irvin and carried unanimously.

**Under the LaBranche Wetlands report, Mr. Poche moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to add another item to the agenda. This motion carried unanimously. Mr. St. Pierre then moved to approve Task Order #1 to Moffatt & Nichol concerning the I-10 Canal Salinity Control Structure project subject to review and approval by Board Counsel. This motion was as seconded by Mr. Bell and carried unanimously.

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Poirrier addressed the Board relative to the local services agreement with Ascension Parish Government relative to abandoned, adjudicated properties in Ascension Parish. Mr. Poirrier explained that he had reviewed said agreement and proposed amendment of terms relative to property which has been adjudicated to the Parish for unpaid ad valorem taxes, which is considered abandoned, declared surplus by the Parish Council and which Council has authorized to be sold under the provisions of LA R.S. 47:2121 et seq. More discussion was had. Following discussion, Mr. Bell moved, seconded by Mr. Irvin to authorize Board President to sign said agreement as amended by Board Counsel. This motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Under public comments, Mr. Lyles Budden addressed the Board and expressed his gratitude for PLD's administrative, maintenance and police departments for their assistance relative to a survey matter in Iberville Parish.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, Mr. Irvin moved, seconded by Mr. Poche to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Susan M. Sheets, Secretary

**Steve Wilson, President
Pontchartrain Levee District**