

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, July 17, 2017, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

July 14, 2017

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 July 17, 2017 at the Lutcher Office, Lutcher, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins Gorman
Executive Director

Vice President Blaine Sheets called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Leonard J. Wilson, Jr., Percy Hebert, Jr., Allen J. St. Pierre, Sr., Blaine J. Sheets, Jerry Savoy, Henry Baptiste and Ms. Senecca Boudreaux. Absent: Ricky Bosco and Steve Wilson

Pontchartrain Levee District employees in attendance were: Monica Salins Gorman – Executive Director, Mel D. Bush – Board Secretary, Kenneth Steib, Sr. – Levee Board Operations Superintendent/PLD Emergency Coordinator and Roscoe Brewer – PLD Police Captain (Detailed). Also, in attendance were Dwight Poirrier – PLD Board Counsel and Joseph Sevario – Executive Assistant to the Board of Commissioners.

Special guests included: Benjamin Chadwick and Nathan Junius of Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Steve Gourgues of GCR, Inc., Jack Morgan of Evans-Graves, Glenn Shaheen of GSA, Sam Scholle of SCP DPW, Jan Evans and Steve Cali of Volkert, Henry Picard, III of BKI, Billy Guste of Elos Environmental, Lance LaPlace of GIS Engineering, Jim Simmons of N.Y. & Associates, Hamid Alizadeh of CB&I and Chris Williams of Moffatt & Nichol. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of June 19, 2017 was offered by Commissioner Savoy, seconded by Commissioner St. Pierre. There were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: Vice President Sheets, Chairperson of said committee; who reported on the Security/Safety Committee meeting held on July 11, 2017.

The first item on the agenda was to approve to post for all the vacant Police Officer 2-A positions as recommended by committee on July 11, 2017. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Boudreaux, seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no public comments, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Equipment Committee: Vice President Sheets called upon Commissioner St. Pierre, Chairperson of said committee; who noted there were no items to report from the Equipment Committee meeting held on July 11, 2017.

Finance Committee: Vice President Sheets called upon Commissioner Bosco, Vice Chairperson of the Finance Committee; who reported on the Finance Committee meeting held on July 13, 2017.

The first item on the agenda was to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$42,799.82 as recommended by committee on July 13, 2017. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Savoy, seconded by Commissioner Boudreaux. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates in the amount of \$29,570.59 for the month of June 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 as recommended by committee on July 13, 2017. Public Comments: None. Motion was then made by Commissioner St. Pierre, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next item was to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates in the amount of \$1,592.43 for the month of May 1, 2017 through May 31, 2017 for computer technical support as recommended by committee on July 13, 2017. Public Comments: None. Motion was then made by Commissioner Hebert, seconded by Commissioner Savoy. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next item was to approve the invoice from Linfield, Hunter & Junius in the amount of \$1,509.21 as recommended by committee on July 13, 2017. Public Comments: None. Commissioner Baptiste made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next item was to approve the invoices from Methods in the amount of \$13,100.00 for the annual hardware maintenance and annual software license fees for payroll, budgetary, progress, direct deposit and log me in rescue as recommended by committee on July 13, 2017. Public Comments: None. Commissioner Hebert made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Baptiste. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next item was to approve the invoice from Harry Robert Insurance Agency for the 2016 Workers Comp Audit in the amount of \$7,812.00 as recommended by committee on July 13, 2017. Public Comments: None. Commissioner Savoy made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Boudreaux. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next item was to approve the expenses for the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association Annual Fall Breakfast to be held on September 11-13, 2017 in Washington, DC as recommended by committee on July 13, 2017. Public Comments: None. Commissioner Boudreaux made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next item was to approve the renewal contract with Broussard & Company through the Legislative Auditor for the next three (3) fiscal years (2017, 2018 & 2019) in the amount of \$8,300.00 per year and to authorize Vice President to sign said contract as recommended by

committee on July 13, 2017. Public Comments: None. Commissioner Savoy made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Baptiste. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Vice President Sheets called upon Commissioner St. Pierre, Chairperson of said committee; who noted there were no items to report from the Personnel Committee meeting held July 13, 2017.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director LONO Report: The Executive Director's report was in the packet for review. Mrs. Gorman offered her assistance to any of the board members should they have any questions or comments concerning any of the issued LONOs within their packets. Mrs. Gorman also made note that FY 2016-2017 Annual Audit will be held the week of August 21st, 2017 at PLD Headquarters. An email with the exact date will be sent to all Board members.

Reports on Projects: Reports were given for each of the following projects by the respective engineer and/or representative. Written reports were also in the board members packets.

- a) West Shore-Lake Pontchartrain Hurricane Protection – Henry Picard, III
- b) St. James/Ascension Storm Surge Project – Henry Picard, III
- c) St. Charles Urban/Walker/Almedia Pump Station – Jack Morgan, E-G
- d) Laurel Ridge Levee/Bayou Conway-Panama Canal/Hwy.22 – Glenn Shaheen, GSA
- e) Bluff Swamp & Spanish Lake Flood Risk Reduction – Glenn Shaheen, GSA
- f) St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee – Steve Gourgues, GCR
- g) PLD Admin. Complex/DRCC – Benjamin Chadwick, LH&J
- h) LaBranche Salinity Barrier Project – Chris Williams

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT'S/VICE PRESIDENT REMARKS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Savoy moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Mel D. Bush, Board Secretary

Blaine J. Sheets, Vice President
Pontchartrain Levee District