

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, June 19, 2017, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

June 16, 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 June 19, 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 6:05 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Leonard J. Wilson, Jr., Percy Hebert, Jr., Allen J. St. Pierre, Sr., Blaine J. Sheets, Ricky Bosco, Henry Baptiste and Ms. Senecca Boudreaux. Absent: Jerry Savoy and Steve Wilson

Pontchartrain Levee District employees in attendance were: Monica Salins Gorman – Executive Director, Mel D. Bush – Board Secretary 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 of Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Mona Nosari of GCR, Inc., Jack Morgan of Evans-Graves, Glenn Shaheen of GSA, Sam Scholle of SCP DPW, Jan Evans, Juba Diez and Tony Evett of Volkert, Henry Picard, III of BKI, Billy Guste of Elos Environmental, Lyles Budden of T. Baker Smith, Lance LaPlace of GIS Engineering, Jim Simmons of N.Y. & Associates, Wanda Taylor of Big Shake and Elmer Jones of EJA Partners, LLC. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of May 15, 2017 was offered by Commissioner Bosco, seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: Vice President Sheets, Chairperson of said committee; who noted that there were no items to report from the Security/Safety Committee held on June 13, 2017.

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 June 13, 2017.

Finance Committee: Vice President Sheets called upon Commissioner Baptiste, Chairperson of the Finance Committee; who reported on the Finance Committee meeting held on June 15, 2017.

The first item on the agenda was to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$47,487.27 as recommended by committee on June 15, 2017. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner St. Pierre, seconded by Commissioner Boudreaux. There was no other discussion, there were no public comments, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to approve the invoice from GCR & Associates in the amount of \$26,666.74 for the month of May 1, 2017 through May 31, 2017 as recommended by committee on June 15, 2017. This motion was made by Commissioner Hebert, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. Public Comments: None. 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 \$77.22 for the month of April 1, 2017 through April 30, 2017 for computer technical support as recommended by committee on June 15, 2017. Public Comments: None. 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 \$3,018.48 as recommended by committee on June 15, 2017. Public Comments: None. Commissioner Boudreaux made said motion, seconded by Commissioner St. Pierre. There was no other discussion, there were no other public comments, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next item was to approve the following Letter of Endorsement as recommended by committee on June 15, 2017.

- a) Plains Pipeline, LP – request of March 11, 2016 through T. Baker Smith, LLC, concerning permission to add two (2) additional 6” pipelines for future use over the levee, at levee station 1479+00, in Iberville Parish.

Public Comments: None. Vice President Sheets made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Bosco. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next item was to approve to renew the official journal with The News Examiner through Ruhr Valley Publishing Co. in the amount of \$550.00 per month as recommended by committee on June 15, 2017. Public Comments: None. Commissioner Wilson made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: Vice President Sheets turned the meeting over to Commissioner St. Pierre. Commissioner St. Pierre reported on the Personnel Committee report held June 15, 2017.

The first item on the agenda was to approve the Professional Services Contract for Lionel Bell, for another one (1) year term, under the same terms and conditions, commencing on August 1, 2017 and concluding on July 31, 2018 as recommended by committee on June 15, 2017. Public Comments: None. Commissioner Boudreaux made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Baptiste. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner St. Pierre then made a substitute motion to change the contract for Lionel Bell from a one (1) year contract to a two (2) year contract. Commissioner Boudreaux made said motion, seconded by Commission Wilson. The roll was called. The votes were: Yeas – Messrs: Leonard J. Wilson, Jr., Percy Hebert, Jr., Blaine J. Sheets, Henry Baptiste, Ricky Bosco, Allen J. St. Pierre, Sr. and Ms. Senecca Boudreaux; Nays – 0; Abstained – 0; Absent: Steve Wilson and Jerry Savoy. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to approve to renew the Professional Services Contract for Dwight Poirrier, for another one (1) year term, under the same terms and conditions, commencing August 1, 2017 and concluding July 31, 2018 as recommended by committee on June 15, 2017. Public Comments: None. Vice President Sheets made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Baptiste. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner St. Pierre made a substitute motion to change the contract for Dwight Poirrier from one (1) year to two (2) years. Commissioner Bosco made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. The roll was called. The votes were: Yeas – Messrs: Leonard J. Wilson, Jr., Percy Hebert, Jr., Blaine J. Sheets, Henry Baptiste, Ricky Bosco, Allen J. St. Pierre, Sr. and Ms. Senecca Boudreaux; Nays – 0; Abstained – 0; Absent: Steve Wilson and Jerry Savoy. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to approve to renew the Professional Services Contract for Clinton Rouyea, under the term recommended, commencing August 1, 2017 and concluding October 5, 2017 as recommended by committee on June 15, 2017. Public Comments: None. Vice President Sheets made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Wilson. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

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.

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 – Mona Nosari, GCR
- g) PLD Admin. Complex/DRCC – Benjamin Chadwick, LH&J

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT’S/VICE PRESIDENT REMARKS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Correct, replace and ratify the motion from the PLD Board Meeting of May 15, 2017 to reflect that the Laurel Ridge Levee Extension Contract Supplement motion should have read “Contract Supplement No. 8.” Public Comments: None. Commissioner Bosco made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Baptiste. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion – Laurel Ridge Extension Mitigation. Dwight Poirrier stated, “PLD will need to get in writing, proposals from all approved mitigation banks to be delivered back to PLD Administrative Office.”

NEW BUSINESS

Approve the Regular Board Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018.
Public Comments: None. Commissioner Bosco made said motion, seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hebert moved, seconded by Commissioner Baptiste to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Mel D. Bush, Board Secretary

Blaine J. Sheets, Vice President
Pontchartrain Levee District