

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at its office on Monday, May 17, 2021, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

May 14, 2021

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, May 17, 2021 at the Lutcher Office, Lutcher, Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins Gorman  
Executive Director

President Ricky Bosco called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited. The following members were present and via teleconference for Roll Call- Present: Messrs. Ricky Bosco, Randy T. Cloutre, Sr., Leonard C. Irvin, Sr., Percy Hebert, Jr., Blaine J. Sheets, Matthew Butler, Allen J. St. Pierre, Sr. and Ms. Senecca Boudreaux. Via teleconference: Claude A. "Trey" Granier, III

Pontchartrain Levee District employees in attendance were: Monica Salins Gorman – Executive Director and Matthew Arseneaux – PLD Police Captain. Also, in attendance was Dwight Poirrier.

Special guests present included: Nathan Junius of Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Mona Nosari of Civix, Inc., Kimberly Koehl of GSA, Henry Picard of BKI, Roy Glapion of The Beta Group, Jack Morgan of Evans-Graves, Sam Scholle with St. Charles Parish and Phillip Truxillo of ELOS.

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of April 19, 2021 was offered by Commissioner Cloutre, seconded by Commissioner Boudreaux. There were no objections, there were no public comments and the motion carried unanimously.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Security/Safety Committee:** President Bosco called upon Vice President Sheets, Chairman of said committee who noted that there were no items to report from the Security/Safety Committee meeting held on May 11, 2021.

**Equipment Committee:** President Bosco called upon Commissioner Hebert, Vice Chairperson of said committee who noted that there were no items to report from the Equipment Committee meeting held on May 11, 2021.

**Finance Committee:** President Bosco called upon Commissioner Boudreaux, Chairperson of the Finance Committee who reported on the Finance Committee meeting held on May 13, 2021:

The first item on the agenda was to approve to amend the Capital Outlay West Shore Enhancement Contract with BKI to include Sorrento Storm Surge Project as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Clouatre. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Ascension Parish Government (APG) and East Ascension Consolidated Gravity Drainage District (EACGDD) regarding turnover of the LA 22 Gapping Project to EACGDD for long term operation and maintenance upon completion of project and allowing the Pontchartrain Levee District President, Ricky Bosco, to sign said agreement as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Clouatre, seconded by Commissioner Irvin. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to Approve the negotiations of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and the Pontchartrain Levee District to perform work in DOTD's immediate right of way for the LA 22 Gapping Project and allowing the PLD President, Ricky Bosco, to sign said agreement as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said

agenda item was made by Commissioner Irvin, seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve a time and materials proposal, (\*added) \*in the amount not to exceed \$260,500.00 as allowed in the PLD FY 2021 Budget, for the construction management and resident inspection services for the Fish Bayou construction project and to allow the Pontchartrain Levee District President, Ricky Bosco, to execute said agreement as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented, with the addition of the amount not to exceed \$260,500.00, was made by Commissioner Clouatre, seconded by Commissioner Irvin. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Louisiana State Police for Access Road G (weigh station) including rights of survey, inspection and construction of the West Shore Hurricane Protection Levee Project and allow the Pontchartrain Levee District President, Ricky Bosco, to execute said agreement as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner St. Pierre, seconded by Vice President Sheets. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the approval of the Cross Bayou Pump Station WSP recommendations and maintenance, Pontchartrain Levee District's share not to exceed \$550,000.00, and to allow Dwight Poirrier to negotiate the terms of the CEA between the Pontchartrain Levee District and St. Charles Parish specific to Cross Bayou Pump Station transfer as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Clouatre, seconded by Commissioner Granier. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next, was to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$40,994.24 as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Vice President Sheets, seconded by Commissioner Irvin. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to approve the invoice from Civix totaling \$63,287.17 (this total represents 3 projects: LPV - \$5,900.00 Laurel Ridge - \$5,800.00 and WSLP - \$51,587.17) said invoicing represents the fees from April 1 through April 30, 2021 as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Hebert, seconded by Vice President Sheets. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to approve the invoice from Dwight Poirrier, Board Attorney, in the amount of \$7,560.00 for West Shore Lake Pontchartrain Project as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Irvin, seconded by Commissioner St. Pierre. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

Next was to approve the invoice from GSA Consulting Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$19,073.07 for Bluff Swamp Control Structure (formerly Alligator/Frog/Fish Bayous) as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Hebert, seconded by Vice President Sheets. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to approve the invoice from GSA Consulting Engineers, Inc. for Task Order No. 1 (Hwy. 22 project) in the amount of \$1,870.00 for the Louisiana Watershed Initiative Project as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner St. Pierre. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

Next was to approve the invoice from Burk-Kleinpeter in the amount of \$3,610.00 for Task Order No. 9 as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Granier, seconded by Commissioner Cloutre. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item was to approve the invoice from Linfield, Hunter & Junius in the amount of \$1,957.50 for the Spanish Lake Wetland Mitigation Bank as recommended by committee on

May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Vice President Sheets, seconded by Commissioner Irvin. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

Next was to approve the invoice from Linfield, Hunter & Junius in the amount of \$5,905.00 for the Cross Bayou Pump Station Oversight as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner St. Pierre, seconded by Commissioner Irvin. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

Next was to approve the expenses for the National Hurricane Conference held in New Orleans, La on June 14 -17, 2021 as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Cloutre, seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

Next was to approve the following 408 Requests as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021:

- a) **Methanex** – request of May 10, 2021, through Mammoet USA, concerning permission to transport five (5) components across the left descending bank of Mississippi River Levee in Ascension Parish.

Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item was made by Commissioner Cloutre, seconded by Vice President Sheets. There was no other discussion, there were no objections, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Personnel Committee:** President Bosco called upon Commissioner Hebert, Vice Chairperson of the Personnel Committee who reported on the committee meeting held on May 13, 2021:

The only item on the agenda was to renew the janitorial contract with D Got This Cleaning for a one (1) term beginning June 3, 2021 through June 2, 2022, as recommended by committee on May 13, 2021. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item

was made by Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Sheets. 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 - BKI
- b) St. James/Ascension Storm Surge Project – Henry Picard - BKI
- c) Laurel Ridge Levee/Hwy.22 – Kimberly Koehl, GSA
- d) Bluff Swamp & Spanish Lake Flood Risk Reduction – Kimberly Koehl, GSA
- e) St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee- Mona Nosari, Civix

## **RIGHTS OF ENTRY**

**Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District** –request of April 23, 2021, from Todd M. Klock, Chief, Acquisition Branch, Real Estate Division, to Chip Kline, Chairman, Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana, and Ricky Bosco, President of the Pontchartrain Levee District for right of entry for a period of 12 months to conduct ground penetrating radar surveys for the West Shore Lake Pontchartrain Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction Project, Entrance to Access Road G from Sub-Baseline Station 4+08.66 to Baseline Station 8+88.07 shown on the ROW drawing, File Number H-8-48286, Sheet Identification Number R-021, dated February 2021, last revised March 20, 2021 and a Portion of WSLP-103, depicted by the hatched area labeled “Temporary No Work Area – No Access” as shown on the ROW drawing, File Number H-4-48231, Sheet Identification Number C-001, dated February 2020, last revised April 12, 2021, St. Charles and St. John the Baptist Parishes, Louisiana.

**Public Comments:** None. Motion was made by Commissioner Clouatre, seconded by Commissioner Butler. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

**Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District** – request of May 3, 2021, from Todd M. Klock, Chief, Acquisition Branch, Real Estate Division, to Chip Kline, Chairman, Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana, and Ricky Bosco, President of the Pontchartrain Levee District and for a right-of-entry for a period of 1 year, to conduct surveys, soil borings, environmental and cultural resource investigations, and hazardous, toxic, and radiological wastes (HTRW) assessments in connection with Mississippi River and Tributaries (MR&T), Bonnet Carre to New Sarpy, Pontchartrain Levee District (PONTCHARTRAIN LEVEE DISTRICT), Baseline Station (B/L Sta.) 5278+00 to B/L Sta. 5482+00 St. Charles Parish, Louisiana, as per the Corps of Engineers maps entitled, ““Mississippi River and Tributaries (MR&T), Pontchartrain Levee District, Bonnet Carre to New Sarpy, ROE for Surveys, Borings, HTRW, Environmental and Cultural Resources, St. Charles Parish”, Sheet Identification Numbers R-01 through R-07, dated April, 2021.

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

A Resolution by the Board of Commissioners of the Pontchartrain Levee District and on behalf of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board of Louisiana providing for the appropriation under the constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana of lands, easements, servitudes and rights-of-way required for construction of the West Shore Lake Pontchartrain (WSLP) Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction Project, WSLP-114 (ED-19-019), St. John the Baptist and St. Charles Parishes, Louisiana and for access to adjacent levee reaches for construction of the WSLP project, as shown on USACE right-of-way drawings, Map File Number H-4-48295 Sheet Identification Numbers G-001 through G-003 and C-002, dated April 2020, last revised December 7, 2020.

Public comments: Dwight Poirrier addressed members and after some discussion, this matter was tabled by board members and agreed that this matter may be taken up at the appropriate time. Said motion was made by Commissioner Clouatre and seconded by Commissioner Boudreaux. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion to table this item carried unanimously.

#### **PRESIDENT’S REMARKS**

None.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Boudreaux moved, seconded by Commissioner Granier to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

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Monica Salins Gorman,  
Executive Director

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Ricky Bosco, President