

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at PLD Headquarters, 2069 Railroad Avenue, Litcher, LA 70071 on Monday, November 20, 2023, pursuant to notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

November 17, 2023

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, November 20, 2023, at Pontchartrain Levee District Headquarters, 2069 Railroad Avenue, Litcher, LA 70071.

Very truly yours,

Monica Salins Gorman,
Executive Director

President Boudreaux called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board members present were Senecca Boudreaux, Blaine Sheets, Wardell Irvin, Randy Cloutre, Sr., Matthew Butler, Percy Hebert, Jr., and Aaron Pourciau. Absent: Allen St. Pierre, Sr., and Claude A. “Trey” Granier, III.

Pontchartrain Levee District employee present was Monica Salins Gorman- Executive Director, and Kelly Poche- Administrative Assistant 6. Also, in attendance was Dwight Poirrier – PLD Board Counsel and Joe Sevario, Executive Assistant to the Board of Commissioners of PLD.

Monica Salins Gorman was asked to acknowledge the guests. Recognition of guests included: A.J. Domangue of Civix, Henry Picard, III of BKI, Kimberly Koehl of McKim & Creed, Sam Scholle of St. Charles Parish, John Troutman of CPRA and Nathan Junius with Linfield, Hunter & Junius.

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of October 16, 2023, was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Pourciau. There were no objections, there were no public comments, and the motion was carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Vice President Sheets, Chairman of said committee, who noted that there was nothing to report from the Security/Safety Committee held on Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

Equipment Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Hebert, Chairman of said committee, who noted that there was one item to discuss from the Security/Safety Committee held on Tuesday, November 14, 2023:

The only item was to approve the invoice from Louisiana Cat for repairs to the 420D in the amount of \$9,819.99 as recommended and so noted in committee on November 14, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Clouatre and seconded by Vice President Sheets. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Butler, Chairman of said committee, who noted there were several items to report from the Finance Committee meeting held on Thursday, November 16, 2023, specifically:

The first item on the agenda was to approve the access servitude agreement between Ascension Parish Government, Spanish Lake Wildlife Refuge & Botanical Gardens, Inc. and the Pontchartrain Levee District and authorize Board President to sign said agreement subject to negotiating said agreement and final terms and approval by PLD Board Counsel, Dwight Poirrier, as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Vice President Sheets and seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the proposed Task Order No. 8 with McKim & Creed for the Bayou Manchac Regional Flood Risk Reduction Permitting and authorize Board President to sign said task order, as recommended and so noted on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the recommendation for payment No. 9 invoice from The Lemoine Company, LLC in the amount of \$1,300,120.05 for the Laurel Ridge Levee Extension Project and authorize Board President to sign said recommendation for payment as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Clouatre and seconded by Commissioner Irvin. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the Facilities Reimbursement Agreement between the Coastal Protection & Restoration Authority and Entergy Louisiana, LLC specific to the cost reimbursement for utility relocations within the West Shore Lake Pontchartrain Hurricane and Storm Damage Reduction Project and authorize Board President to sign said agreement as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$64,470.51 for October 2023 as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Vice President Sheets and seconded by Commissioner Pourciau. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoices from Civix totaling \$51,853.16 (this total represents 4 projects: LPV - \$16,279.53; Laurel Ridge - \$2,080.34; WSLP - \$16,336.30 and LA 22 - \$17,156.99) representing the fees from October 1, 2023, through October 31, 2023 as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Irvin. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Dwight Poirrier, APLC, in the amount of \$5,896.46 for the West Shore Lake Pontchartrain Project as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Commissioner Clouatre. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from McKim & Creed for the LA 22 Gapping Project Task Order No. 5 in the amount of \$14,147.55 as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Irvin and seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the invoice from McKim & Creed for the Laurel Ridge Levee Extension in the amount of \$23,907.02 as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Vice President Sheets and seconded by Commissioner Pourciau. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from McKim & Creed for the Bayou Manchac Clearing and Snagging Task Order No. 4 in the amount of \$2,156.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Clouatre. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Burk Kleinpeter, Inc. for the West Shore Task Order No. 9 in the amount of \$4,882.25 as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Commissioner Irvin. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Burk Kleinpeter, Inc. for the Ascension Storm Surge Protection Project in the amount of \$62,226.25 as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Clouatre. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the statement of no objection (408) for Veolia request of October 20, 2023, through Sarens USA, concerning permission to construct a temporary bridge to transport multiple heavy cargo from barges staged in the Mississippi River into Veolia North America facility, levee station 3032+47, at Burnside, Louisiana, in Ascension Parish as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda

item as presented was offered by Commissioner Clouatre and seconded by Vice President Sheets. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

The final item on the agenda was to approve the statement of no objection (408) for Pelican Marine Services, LLC request of November 9, 2023, through Lanier & Associates Consulting Engineers, concerning permission to install an access barge, levee ramp, and parking area, levee station 221+01, in East Baton Rouge Parish as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Irvin. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Hebert, Chairman of said committee, who noted that there was one item to discuss from the Security/Safety Committee held on Thursday, November 16, 2023:

The only item was to approve the to promote Police Officer, Joseph Canatella, III, to the position of the Pontchartrain Levee District Police Department Lieutenant as recommended and so noted in committee on November 16, 2023. Public Comments: It was noted that Vice President Sheets requested to abstain from said agenda item. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Clouatre and seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director LONO Report: The Executive Director's report and LONO's issued were in the packet for the board members' review. Ms. Gorman offered that if any of the board members have any questions, they should feel free to contact her directly.

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 and the Ascension Parish Storm Surge Protection Project (Henry Picard, III, BKI)
- b) Laurel Ridge Levee Extension, Fish Bayou Structure project and LWI projects, specifically Hwy. 22 and the Bayou Manchac Regional Conceptual Planning project (Kimberly Koehl)

- c) St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee Matters, Mainline River Levee (MRL) Right of Entries, Laurel Ridge Levee Extension project and the West Shore-Lake Pontchartrain project (A.J. Domangue, Civix)

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District – request of September 29, 2023, from Todd Klock, Chief, Acquisition Branch, Real Estate Contracting Officer to Ms. Senecca Boudreaux, President of the Pontchartrain Levee District for a right-of-entry for a period of one (1) year, beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024, for access and to conduct annual maintenance surveys, stone repairs, and articulated concrete mattress repair work on the revetments located along the east bank of the Mississippi River, for the Mississippi River Channel Improvement Project, East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Ascension, St. James, St. John the Baptist, and St. Charles Parishes, Louisiana, as per the Corps of Engineers drawings entitled, “Mississippi River Channel Improvement Project, Pontchartrain Levee District, Revetment Locations,” file number H-13-46072, sheet identification numbers C-01, C-02 and C-03, dated June 20, 2016, October 18, 2016 and June 20, 2016 respectively. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Butler seconded by Commissioner Cloutre. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT REMARKS

President Boudreaux wished everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving. Vice President Sheets echoed the same sentiment.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Hebert to adjourn. The motion was carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Monica Salins Gorman,
Executive Director

Senecca Boudreaux, President
Pontchartrain Levee District