

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at PLD Headquarters, 2069 Railroad Avenue, Litcher, LA 70071 on Monday, February 19, 2024, pursuant to notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

February 16, 2024

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, February 19, 2024, 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 Clouatre, Sr., Matthew Butler, Percy Hebert, Jr. and Aaron Pourciau. Absent: Allen St. Pierre, Sr., 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, John Troutman of CPRA, Sam Scholle of St. Charles Parish, Seneca Toussant of LaTerre Engineering, Hamid Alizadeh of APTIM and Emily Appleyard of Linfield, Hunter & Junius.

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of January 22, 2024, was offered by Commissioner Butler and seconded by Commissioner Pourciau. There were no objections, there were no public comments, and the motion 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 Thursday, February 15, 2024.

Equipment Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Hebert who noted that there was nothing to report from the Equipment Committee held on Thursday, February 15, 2024.

Finance Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Clouatre, Co-Chairman of said committee, who noted there were several items to report from the Finance Committee meeting held on Thursday, February 15, 2024, specifically:

The first item on the agenda was to approve the Linfield, Hunter & Junius additional services fee proposal for additional work for the metal canopy at PLD Headquarters in the amount of 1,524.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Butler and seconded by Commissioner Hebert. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the bid from American Construction Enterprises LLC for the metal canopy at PLD Headquarters in the amount of \$242,800.00 after final review from Board Counsel as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: Mr. Poirrier advised members that all was in order and compliance with the bid submission. There were no other comments. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Vice President Sheets 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 Phase I Cultural Resource Survey from ELOS to perform additional services as requested by the Louisiana State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for the LA 22 Gapping Project in the amount of \$51,000.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was

offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Commissioner Butler. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next item on the agenda was to approve the Design Agreement between the Department of the Army, the State of Louisiana, Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East and the Pontchartrain Levee District for Design of the Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity, LA Project Levee Lifts and authorize Board President to sign said agreement as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. 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.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the Request for Qualifications – Borrow Pit Pre-Approval for borrow material associated with future MRL projects as recommended as so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Butler. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Next item on the agenda was to approve the recommendation for payment No. 12 invoice from The Lemoine Company, LLC in the amount of \$703,209.24 for the Laurel Ridge Levee Extension Project and authorize Pontchartrain Levee District Board President to sign said recommendation for payment as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Vice President Sheets and 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 to move the Tuesday, March 12, 2024 committee meetings to Thursday, March 14, 2024 due to the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association Spring Legislative Meetings held in Washington, DC as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Commissioner Butler. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$16,620.97 for January 2024 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Pourciau. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said

motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the invoices from Civix totaling \$55,865.92 (this total represents 4 projects: LPV - \$14,527.11; Laurel Ridge - \$260.00; WSLP - \$35,338.64 and LA 22 - \$5,740.17) representing the fees from January 1, 2024 through January 31, 2024 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Commissioner Butler. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and said motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Dwight Poirrier for the West Shore Lake Pontchartrain Project in the amount of \$2,525.86 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. 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 Dwight Poirrier for the LA 22 Gapping Project in the amount of \$4,162.50 as recommended by committee on February 15, 2024. 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.

Next item 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 \$23,348.20 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Butler 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 McKim & Creed for the Laurel Ridge Levee Extension in the amount of \$32,165.42 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Hebert 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 Bayou Manchac Regional Flood Risk Reduction Task Order No. 8 in the amount of \$60,753.39 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Vice President Sheets 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 Burk Kleinpeter, Inc. for the West Shore Lake Pontchartrain Task Order No. 9 in the amount of \$1,092.50 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. 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.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Burk Kleinpeter, Inc. for the Ascension Storm Surge Protection Project in the amount of \$99,293.50 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Butler 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 Civix for computer technical support for January 2024 in the amount of \$1,715.19 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. 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.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Louisiana Emergency Preparedness Association for the 2024 Annual Dues in the amount of \$250.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. 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 invoice from the United States Geological Survey for the Pass Manchac Gage quarterly payment in the amount of \$2,315.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on February 15, 2024. 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.

Personnel Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Hebert, Co-Chair of said committee who reported that there were no items to report on from the committee held on February 15, 2024.

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 updated members on a few matters and offered her assistance if any of the board members had any questions to 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

None.

PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT REMARKS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The final motion was a motion to adjourn. Said motion was made by Commissioner Butler and seconded by Commissioner Hebert to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Monica Salins Gorman,
Executive Director

Senecca Boudreaux, President
Pontchartrain Levee District