

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at PLD Headquarters, 2069 Railroad Avenue, Litcher, Louisiana on Monday, May 20, 2024, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

May 17, 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 on Monday, May 20, 2024 at Pontchartrain Levee District Headquarters, 2069 Railroad Avenue, Litcher, Louisiana 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: Blaine Sheets, Aaron Pourciau, Percy Hebert, Jr., Randy T. Clouatre, Sr. , Wardell Irvin, and Senecca Boudreaux. Absent: Allen St. Pierre, Sr., Matthew Butler and Claude A. “Trey” Granier, III.

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

Guests included: Jane Dufour of Civix, Kimberly Koehl of McKim & Creed, Henry Picard of Burk Kleinpeter, Inc., Donald Lambert of GEC Inc., Kris Knudson and Chandra Stacie of St. Charles Clean Fuels, Rick Weber of St. James Parish, Hamid Alizadeh of APTIM, Travis Byland of GIS Engineering and John Troutman of CPRA.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of April 15, 2024, was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Commissioner Irvin. 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 only one (1) item to report from the Security/Safety Committee held on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, namely:

The only item under this committee was to approve the purchase of four (4) Motorola N70 portable radios (three (3) for police and one (1) for HQ) in the amount of \$6,522.08 each for a total of \$26,088.32 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 14, 2024. Public comments: None. 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 the motion carried unanimously.

Equipment Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Hebert, Chairman of said committee, who noted that there was only (1) item to report from the Equipment Committee held on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, namely:

The only item under this committee was to approve the state contract purchase of one (1) T86 Bobcat Compact Track Loader through Duhon Machinery in the amount of \$106,900.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 14, 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.

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, May 16, 2024, specifically:

The first item on the agenda was to approve the recommendation for Application of Payment No. 15 invoice to The Lemoine Company, LLC in the amount of \$1,430,505.72 for the Laurel Ridge Levee Extension Project and to authorize PLD Board President to sign said application as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the resolution of support for the dredging of the lower end of the Amite River in an effort to mitigate flooding for the Amite River Basin as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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.

Next on the agenda was to approve to amend the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Coastal Protection Restoration Authority (CPRA), Port of South Louisiana and Pontchartrain Levee District and to authorize PLD Board President to sign said agreement as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the regular monthly invoices in the amount of \$70,475.69 for April 2024 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 2024. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Vice President Sheets. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoices from Civix totaling \$68,389.74 (this total represents 3 projects: LPV - \$13,021.30; WSLP - \$45,873.44; Hwy. 22 - \$9,495.00) representing the fees from April 1, 2024 through April 30, 2024, as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Dwight Poirrier, Board Attorney, in the amount of \$6,008.34 for the West Shore Lake Pontchartrain Project, as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Dwight Poirrier, Board Attorney, in the amount of \$1,350.00 for the LA 22 Gapping as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

The 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 \$14,955.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 2024. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Hebert and seconded by Vice President Sheets. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from McKim & Creed for Laurel Ridge Levee Extension Project in the amount of \$25,497.26 as recommended as so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the invoice from McKim & Creed for the Bayou Manchac Regional Risk Reduction Task Order No. 8 in the amount of \$59,974.75 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 2024. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Irvin and seconded by Vice President Sheets. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Burk Kleinpeter, Inc. for Task Order No. 9, West Shore-Lake Pontchartrain in the amount of \$6,345.50 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the invoices from Burk Kleinpeter, Inc. for the Ascension Storm Surge Protection Project in the amount of \$99,860.42 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Civix for the April 2024 computer technical support in the amount of \$3,171.69 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 2024. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and 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 to approve the invoice from Linfield, Hunter & Junius for the Metal Canopy at PLD Headquarters in the amount of \$914.40 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from Linfield, Hunter & Junius for the Cross Bayou Pump Station in the amount of \$1,867.50 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the invoice from the National Waterways Conference for the annual membership dues in the amount of \$1,525.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the USGS invoice for the Pass Manchac Hardened Gage quarterly maintenance payment in the amount of \$2,525.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 2024. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Irvin and 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 to approve the request for the Statement of No Objection for St. Charles Clean Fuels, LLC request of April 24, 2024 through DDG, concerning permission to construct 7,800 linear feet of pipe rack and support infrastructure, including a new dock platform, water intake platform and dock equipment platform, also to construct a temporary heavy haul bridge spanning over LA 48 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve to amend the 2023-2024 operating budget for the acquisition of equipment to reflect each line item and amount as follows: 60661 - \$6,700.00; 80661 - \$20,100.00 and 70659.50 - \$107,000.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 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 the motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Hebert, Chairman of said committee who reported that there was only one item on the agenda, specifically:

The only item from this committee was to approve the renewal of the janitorial contract with D Got This Cleaning for one (1) year under the same terms and conditions as presented and to authorize PLD Board President to sign said contract as recommended and so noted in committee on May 16, 2024. Public Comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Vice President 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 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, LWI project 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 (Jane Dufour, 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 Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Irvin to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Monica Salins Gorman,
Executive Director

Senecca Boudreaux, President
Pontchartrain Levee District