

The Board of Commissioners for the Pontchartrain Levee District met at PLD Headquarters, 2069 Railroad Avenue, Litcher, Louisiana on Monday, April 21, 2025, pursuant to due notice given to each member in due time, form and manner as follows:

April 17, 2025

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, April 21, 2025 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: Seneca Boudreaux, Randy Cloutre, Sr., Charles "Chuck" Bazile, III, Aaron Pourciau, Matthew Butler, Blaine Sheets, Percy Hebert, Jr. and Kevin Hebert.

Pontchartrain Levee District employees present were Monica Salins Gorman- PLD Executive Director, Arlene Lee- PLD Board Secretary, as well as, PLD PD Lieutenant- Joseph Canatella. Also, in attendance: Dwight Poirrier- PLD Board Counsel and Joe Sevario- Executive Assistant to the Board of Commissioners of PLD.

Guests included: Henry Picard III of BKL, A. J. Domangue of Civix, Hamid Alizadeh of Aptim Kimberly Koehl of McKim & Creed and John Troutman of CPRA.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion to approve the minutes of the budget public hearing and the regular monthly board meeting minutes of March 17, 2025 was offered by Commissioner Butler and seconded by Commissioner Percy Hebert. There were no objections, there were no public comments, and the motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security/Safety Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Pourciau, Co-Chairman of said committee, who noted that there was nothing to report from the Security/Safety Committee held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025.

Equipment Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Pourciau, Co-Chairman of said committee, who noted that there was nothing to report from the Equipment Committee held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025.

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 Tuesday, April 17, 2025, specifically:

The first item on the agenda was to approve the recommendation for Application of Payment No. 26 invoice to The Lemoine Company, LLC in the amount of \$218,356.71 for the Laurel Ridge Levee Extension Project and to authorize the PLD Board President to sign said application as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Cloutre 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 regular invoices in the amount of \$67,336.16 for March 2025 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Percy Hebert 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 invoices from Civix totaling \$46,542.75 (this total represents 4 projects: LPV - \$11,662.00; WSLP - \$26,098.75; and LA 22 - \$8,657.00 and Bayou Manchac - \$125.00) representing the fees from March 1, 2025 through March 31, 2025, as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Commissioner Bazile. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoices from Dwight Poirrier, Board Attorney in the amount of \$7,256.10 for the West Shore-Lake Pontchartrain Project, as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Percy 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 for LA 22 Gapping Project in the amount of \$770.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. 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 McKim & Creed for Laurel Ridge Levee Extension Project in the amount of \$18,233.65 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Bazile 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 LA 22 Gapping Project Task Order No. 5 in the amount of \$87,450.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Percy Hebert and seconded by Commissioner Pourciau. 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 \$122,303.25 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Vice President Sheets and seconded by Commissioner Percy 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 Burk Kleinpeter, Inc. for Task Order No. 9, West Shore-Lake Pontchartrain in the amount of \$1,705.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Clouatre and seconded by Commissioner Pourciau. 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 Burk Kleinpeter, Inc. for the Ascension Storm Surge Protection Project in the amount of \$78,470.20 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Percy 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 Civix for computer technical support in the amount of \$57.50 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Bazile and seconded by Commissioner Pourciau. 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 the Linfield, Hunter & Junius for the Amite River Basin Commission Master Plan Review in the amount of \$6,792.50 for February and \$2,190.00 for March for a total of \$8,982.50 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. 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.

Next on the agenda was to approve the invoice from the Linfield, Hunter & Junius for the PLD Board Room Investigation in the amount of \$1,277.50 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Percy 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 Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association for the Membership Fee for 2025-2026 in the amount of \$5,665.00 as recommended and so noted in committee on April 15, 2025. Public comments: None. Motion to approve said agenda item as presented was offered by Commissioner Pourciau and seconded by Commissioner Bazile. There was no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee: President Boudreaux called upon Commissioner Pourciau, Chairman of said committee, who noted there was nothing to report from the Personnel Committee held on Thursday, April 15, 2025.

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 and 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 Project, Hwy. 22 - LWI Project, and the Bayou Manchac Regional Flood Risk Reduction Project (Kimberly Koehl for McKim & Creed)
- c) St. Charles Hurricane Protection Levee Matters, Mainline River Levee, Laurel Ridge Levee Extension, and the West Shore-Lake Pontchartrain Projects (A.J. Domangue, Civix)

RIGHTS OF ENTRY

None.

PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT REMARKS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

The first item under New Business was the approval of Change Order No. 3 for the Laurel Ridge Levee Extension contract with The Lemoine Group to reflect an increase in contract time due to weather days throughout the project and electrical revisions (this is a time only change order) – (Kimberly Koehl). Motion to approve said agenda time as presented was offered by Commissioner Clouatre and seconded by Commissioner Percy Hebert. Public comments: None. There were no other discussion, there were no objections and the motion carried unanimously.

The next agenda item was to adopt the millage rate(s).

The following resolution was moved by Commissioner Pourciau, seconded by Vice President Sheets:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2025 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Pontchartrain Levee District

MILLAGE

<u>Pontchartrain Levee District General Fund</u>	<u>3.53 Mills</u>
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parishes of East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Ascension, St. James, St. John the Baptist and St. Charles, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parishes for the year 2025, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS:	Kevin Hebert, Percy Hebert, Jr., Blaine Sheets, Senecca Boudreaux, Matthew Butler, Aaron Pourciau, Charles Bazile, III, and Randy Clouatre, Sr,
NAYS:	None.
ABSTAINED:	None.
ABSENT:	None.
VACANT:	One (1)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The final motion was a motion to adjourn. Said motion was made by Commissioner Butler and seconded by Vice President Sheets. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Arlene Lee, Board Secretary

Senecca Boudreaux, President
Pontchartrain Levee District