

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
March 3, 2022

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on March 3, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at the Harrison County Utility Authority Board Room, at 10271 Express Drive in Gulfport, Mississippi. In attendance were:

BOARD AND STAFF:

- Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director
- Mayor Jimmy Rafferty, City of Pass Christian, Director
- Mayor Andrew "Fofu" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director
- Mr. Bernie Parker, representing the City of Long Beach
- Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville
- Ms. Jaclyn Turner, representing Harrison County (1), Director
- Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County (2), Director - via Telecom
- Mr. John Wilson, Executive Director, HCUA
- Ms. Cindy Breau, Chief Financial Officer, HCUA
- Ms. Marie Ostrander, Purchasing Coordinator, HCUA
- Ms. Melissa Vaughn, Administrative Assistant, HCUA
- Mr. James Simpson, Wise Carter, Attorneys and Esquire – via Telecom

ABSENT:

AUDIENCE:

- Cindy Lamb, Pickering Firm, Inc.
- Derrel Wilson, H20
- Lisa Verhocshek, Wise Carter

Letters of Designations are attached hereto as exhibit "A".

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Authority, Mayor Andrew "Fofu" Gilich, representing City of Biloxi, called the meeting to order. The following proceedings were heard and acted upon.

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**A. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**

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**B. Public Comments**

Mayor Andrew "Fofu" Gilich opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments

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**C. Approval of the Claims Docket dated March 3, 2022**

Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated March 3, 2022, seconded by Mayor Andrew "Fofo" Gilich. A vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	aye
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of the Claims Docket is attached hereto as exhibit "B".

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**D. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated February 17, 2022**

Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated February 17, 2022, seconded by Mr. Bernie Parker. A vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	aye
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of Board Meeting Minutes dated February 17, 2022, is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

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**E. Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 23, 2022**

Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to discuss the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 23, 2022, seconded by Ms. Jaclyn Turner.

Mr. Al Gombos stated that the minutes would be accepted so long as the discussion regarding D'Iberville's S20 project was elaborated upon and the specific projects listed out in the Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to accept the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 23, 2022, seconded by Mayor Billy Hewes. A vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	aye
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The Board accepted the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 23, 2022, as submitted and a copy of the is attached hereto as exhibit "D"



**F. Action Items**

**1. Old Business**

There was no Old Business to discuss



**2. New Business**

**2a. Long Beach WW Sewer Project Phase 1 – Approval for Change Order**

Mr. John Wilson explained that these are just cost overrides for the ongoing project

Ms. Jaclyn Turner made a motion to approve Long Beach WW Sewer Project Phase 1 – Approval for Change Order, seconded by Mayor Billy Hewes. A vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	aye
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of the Long Beach WW Sewer Project Phase 1 – Approval for Change Order is attached hereto as exhibit “H”.



**2b. 2022 Facility Plan List – Review and Approval for Advertisement**

Mr. John Wilson explained that the list has gone before several Technical Committee meetings and the final list consists of those projects that came out of the Master Plan, Phase 2 and those projects provided by the County to be SRF (State Revolving Fund) eligible

Mayor Jimmy Rafferty asked if this list was based on priority or just eligible projects. Mr. John Wilson explained that all of the listed projects were priorities, but that there was no ranking involved in this list particularly. This list includes project descriptions, cost estimates, and state level clearances that get them eligible for those SRF monies.

Mayor Billy Hewes asked if HCUA, as an entity, making our own applications for some of the ARPA, Restore Act, or CARES Act monies. Mr. Wilson assured him that we were and that anything like that would be brought before the Board.

Mayor Billy Hewes made a motion to approve 2022 Facility Plan List- Review and Approval for Advertisement, seconded by Mayor Jimmy Rafferty. A vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	aye
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of the 2022 Facility Plan List- Review and Approval for Advertisement, is attached hereto as exhibit “I”.



**2c. 2022 Facility Plan – Engineer RFP**

Mr. Al Gombos inquired as to whether or not there was a policy in place for the hiring of engineers. Mr. John Wilson explained that the Third Party RPR Policy applied to the hiring of engineers for Construction projects, but as for Engineering Services it is an RFP process.

Ms. Jaclyn Turner made a motion to accept 2022 Facility Plan – Engineer RFP, seconded by Mayor Jimmy Rafferty. A vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	aye
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of 2022 Facility Plan – Engineer RFP is attached hereto as exhibit “J”.

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**G. Executive Director’s Report**

Mr. John Wilson updated the Board on the upcoming Biosolids Transport and Management RFP which will be opening on March 11, 2022. Once the bids are in they will be brought before the Technical Committee for evaluation and recommendation which will then go before the Board.

Mr. John Wilson also let the Board know that work had already begun on the draft RFP for Solid Waste Collection, which we are early on but only because we want to ensure that whomever is awarded the contract is able to have all of their equipment and work force ready to go when the contract begins in October 2023.

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**H. Executive Session**

Mr. Jim Simpson stated that there was no need for an Executive Session

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**I. Adjourn** – At this time Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Jaclyn Turner. A vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	aye
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion to adjourn passed.



  
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