

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
February 7, 2019

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on February 7, 2019 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 Chipper McDermott, City of Pass Christian, Director
Mayor George Bass, City of Long Beach, Director
Mayor Andrew "Fofo" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director
Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville
Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director
Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County (2), Director
Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director
Mr. James Simpson, Wise Carter Attorneys, Esquire
Mr. Donald Scharr, Executive Director, HCUA
Ms. Patra Roberts, Office Manager, HCUA
Ms. Julie Christian, Chief Financial Officer, HCUA
Mr. John Wilson, O & M Manager, HCUA
Mr. Alan Lane, Solid Waste Coordinator, HCUA

ABSENT:

AUDIENCE:

Mr. Andy Phelan, Pickering Firm
Ms. Brynn Joachim, The Focus Group
Mr. Bernie Parker, City of Long Beach
Mr. Kris Riemann, City of Gulfport
Mr. Bruce Newton, Digital Engineering
Mr. Scott Burge, BMA Engineering
Mr. Damon Torricelli, Neel-Schaffer
Ms. Lindsay Spurnier, Cypress Environmental
Ms. Jenna Bennett, Waste Management
Ms. Colby Cantrell, Pelican Waste
Mr. Bobby Knesal, Utility Partners
Mr. Derrel Wilson, Utility Partners

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

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Authority, Mayor Bass called the meeting to order. The following proceedings were had and done.

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A. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

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B. Public Comments

Mayor Bass opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments.

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C. Approval of the Claims Docket dated February 8, 2019

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated February 8, 2019, seconded by Mayor Gilich. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| 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 January 17, 2019

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated January 17, 2019, seconded by Mayor Gilich. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

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Old Business

E. 1 a – Approval to Award Polymer Contract – Polydyne, Inc.

Supervisor Rockco made a motion to approve the Award of the Polymer Contract to Polydyne, Inc., seconded by Mayor Gilich. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| Biloxi | voted | aye |
| Gulfport | voted | aye |
| D'Iberville | voted | nay |
| 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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New Business

E. 2 a - HCDC Agreement for BP/Price Brothers Project

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to authorize legal counsel to prepare an agreement to connect the Long Beach Industrial Complex WWTF, seconded by Mayor McDermott. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----------|
| Biloxi | voted | aye |
| Gulfport | voted | aye |
| D'Iberville | voted | abstained |
| 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

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E. 2 b – Recommendation for Selection of Design Engineer – SP-12 & SP-13 Projects

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve the recommendation to award the Contract for Design Engineering Services – SP-12 & SP-13 to Pickering Firm as recommended by the interviewing committee, seconded by Mayor McDermott. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|-------------|-------|-----------|
| Biloxi | voted | aye |
| Gulfport | voted | aye |
| D'Iberville | voted | abstained |
| Long Beach | voted | aye |

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| Harrison County (1) | voted | aye |
| Harrison County (2) | voted | aye |
| Pass Christian | voted | aye |

The motion passed. A copy of the memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "F".

E. 2 c – Recommendation for Selection for Environmental and Consulting Engineering Services

Board members will participate on the interview committee on a volunteer basis. Mr. Scharr will send out a tentative interview date to board members in advance.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to accept the recommendation to interview the top three ranking firms – Neel-Schaffer, Pickering Firm and Cypress Environmental for Environmental and Consulting Engineering Services, seconded by Mayor Gilich. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "G".

E. 2 d – Proposal for Rental of Water Tanks for Cell Tower Usage

Mayor Hewes made a motion to remand the Proposal for Rental of Water Tanks for Cell Tower Usage to the Technical Committee for further review, seconded by Supervisor Rockco. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| 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. The item is remanded to the technical committee. A copy of the proposal is attached hereto as exhibit "H".

E. 2 e – Recommendation to Submit Application for Registration of Waste Tire Collection Sites

Supervisor Rockco made a motion to submit the Application for Registration of Waste Tire Collection Sites, seconded by Mr. Gombos. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "I".

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E. 2 f – Recommendation for RPR Services

Mr. Scharr recommended that all submitting firms be qualified to perform RPR services for HCUA on an assigned basis. The qualified firms are listed by rankings of the review committee:

1. Overstreet & Associates
2. Neel-Schaffer
3. Machado/Patano
4. Pickering Firm
5. Action Testing.

Mr. Gombos made a motion to qualify the firms to perform RPR services for HCUA on an assigned basis, seconded by Supervisor Rockco. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "J".

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E. 2 g – Applications for Water Services in Certificated Areas - Discussion

There was discussion about whether HCUA can service residents in an area where the certificate holder refuses to provide service.

Supervisor Ladner requested HCUA provide temporary service to residents under the temporary water usage permits, until the matter is resolved. Mr. Simpson advised they will find a way to temporarily connect residents and present it at the next board meeting.

Mayor Hewes made a motion to authorize legal counsel to file a motion with the Public Service Commission to make Sutter serve residents or vacate the certificated area, seconded by Supervisor Ladner. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "K".

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F. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Scharr advised the application for the Long Beach Interceptor BP Project was filed with the U. S. Treasury on last Friday. Mayor Bass asked that Mr. Scharr provide the board with a list of all repairs made to the price brothers line and their costs at the next board meeting.

Mr. Scharr provided an update on the Reserve at Carr Bridge and Dogwood Hills. He stated they have completed the work and testing on the water line. The documents have been submitted to the board of health for approval. Once approved it will come back to HCUA to accept the water line. Once the water line is accepted, HCUA can finalize matters with Dogwood Hills.

Mr. Scharr provided an update on the S-14 project. He stated HCUA is awaiting the wetlands permit from the Corps of Engineers. He advised that he is working with Mr. Simpson on a response to the proposed work plan from Jay Bearden.

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G. Executive Session

Mayor McDermott made a motion to enter closed session to determine the need for Executive Session. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| 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.

Mayor Bass stated there was a need for Executive Session.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to enter Executive Session, seconded by Supervisor Ladner. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| 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. The Board entered Executive Session.

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Mayor McDermott made a motion to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session, seconded by Mayor Gilich. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| 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. The Board returned to Open Session.

There was no action taken during Executive Session.

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H. Adjourn - At this time Mayor McDermott made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Rockco. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

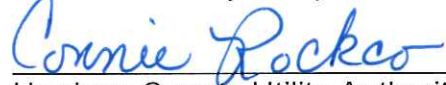
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|---------------------|-------|-----|
| Biloxi | voted | aye |
| Gulfport | voted | aye |
| D'Iberville | voted | aye |
| Long Beach | voted | aye |
| Harrison County (1) | voted | aye |
| Harrison County (2) | voted | aye |
| Pass Christian | voted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

The motion to adjourn passed.

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