

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
February 20, 2020

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on February 20, 2020 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 Andrew "Fofa" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director
Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville
Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director
Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director
Ms. Jacklyn Turner, representing Harrison County (2), Director
Mr. Bernie Parker, representing the City of Long Beach
Mr. Jim Simpson, Wise Carter Attorneys, Esquire
Mr. John Wilson, Executive Director, HCUA
Ms. Patra Roberts, Office Manager, HCUA
Ms. Cindy Breaux, Chief Financial Officer, HCUA
Mr. Derek Bullock, Engineering Project Manager, HCUA

ABSENT:

Mayor George Bass, City of Long Beach, Director
Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County (2), Director

AUDIENCE:

Supervisor Rebecca Powers, Harrison County
Mr. Andy Phelan, The Focus Group
Ms. Brynn Joachim, The Focus Group
Mr. Damon Torricelli, Neel-Schaffer
Ms. Jenna Bass, Waste Management
Mr. Sam Williams, Waste Management
Mr. Gerrord Kilpatrick, Machado Patano
Mr. Derrel Wilson, Utility Partners
Mr. Bobby Knesal, Utility Partners

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

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Authority, Mr. Gombos 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

Mr. Gombos opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments.

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C. Approval of HCUA Claims Docket dated February 21, 2020

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated February 21, 2020, 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 claims docket is attached hereto as exhibit "B".

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D. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated February 6, 2020

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated February 6, 2020, seconded by Ms. Turner. 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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E. Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 12, 2020

Ms. Turner made a motion to accept the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 12, 2020, 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 "D".

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F. Financial Report

The Board accepted the Financial Report for January 2020 as presented.

Supervisor requested the finance department research whether higher interest yields are available to HCUA.

No action required. A copy of the report is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

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G. Marketing Report

The Board accepted the Marketing Report as submitted by The Focus Group. The new quarterly newsletter will go out for distribution this week.

No action required. A copy of the report is attached hereto as exhibit "F".

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H. Solid Waste Report

The Board accepted the Solid Waste Report as presented.

No action required. A copy of the report is attached hereto as exhibit "G".

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Old Business

I. 1 – None

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New Business

I. 2 a – Hickman Road Water Main Project – Payment Application No. 2 & Summary Change Order

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve Hickman Road Water Main Project – Payment Application No. 2 & Summary Change Order, 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. Copies of the payment application and change order are attached hereto as exhibit "H".

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I. 2 b – Revised Water & Sewer Connection Policy

Mayor McDermott made a motion to table the Revised Water & Sewer Connection Policy until verbiage was added to address the one-mile radius jurisdiction matter, seconded 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 connection policy is attached hereto as exhibit "I".

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J. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Wilson provided status updates on current projects.

Biloxi/D'Iberville Chlorine Booster Station – a meeting is scheduled with all parties tomorrow to discuss the cost and work needed to bring the project to completion.

Hickman Road Water Main – project was just closed out. We are now delivering water to Magnolia Bend Subdivision.

West Fritz Creek Phase II – the project is ongoing. Expected completion time is end of July 2020.

Restore Act/BP Project – the first progress meeting with MDEQ and Covington was held on February 3, 2020. Engineering is proceeding with surveying and data collection for the pump stations. Preliminary plans are expected by the end of March.

S-14 project – Mr. Wilson met with Supervisors Ladner and Rockco to discuss options and cost to complete the project. An option was agreed upon. Mr. Wilson will present the option to the Board at the March 5, 2020 board meeting.

Locust Pump Station – Mr. Wilson and Mr. Simpson met with the property owner, James King. Mr. King made an offer that will need to be discussed in Executive Session.

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K. Executive Session

Mr. Simpson stated that Executive Session is needed to discuss negotiation for acquisition of property or potential litigation for the Locust Pump Station.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to enter Executive 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 entered Executive Session.

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Mayor McDermott made a motion to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session, seconded by Mayor McDermott. 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.

No was action taken during Executive Session.

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L. Adjourn - At this time Mayor McDermott made a motion to adjourn, 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 to adjourn passed.

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Harrison County Utility Authority

Connie Parker
Harrison County Utility Authority