

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
September 5, 2019

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on September 5, 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 George Bass, City of Long Beach, Director
Mayor Chipper McDermott, City of Pass Christian, Director
Mr. Dub Hornsby, representing the City of D'Iberville
Mr. Kris Riemann, representing the City of Gulfport
Mr. Mike Leonard, representing the City of Biloxi
Supervisor Angel Middleton, representing Harrison County (2)
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
Mr. John Wilson, Engineering & Construction Manager, HCUA
Mr. Alan Lane, Solid Waste Coordinator

ABSENT:

Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director
Mayor Andrew "Fofo" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director
Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County (2), Director
Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville

AUDIENCE:

Mr. Andy Phelan, Pickering Firm
Ms. Cindy Lamb, Pickering Firm
Mr. Mike Palmer, Pickering Firm
Mr. Gregory Ryland, Informark
Mr. Larry Moxley, Utility Partners
Mr. Bernie Parker, City of Long Beach
Ms. Brynn Joachim, The Focus Group
Mr. Bruce Newton, Digital Engineering
Mr. Damon Torricelli, Neel-Schaffer
Mr. Brandon Payne, The Payne Group
Mr. Tommy Thibodeaux, Pelican Waste
Mr. Tyrone Williams, Pelican Waste
Ms. Colby Cantrell, Pelican Waste
Ms. Jenna Bass, Waste Management
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, Mr. Hornsby 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 Hearing – Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund (WPCRLF) Projects

Mayor McDermott made a motion to open the Public Hearing for comments, seconded by Mayor Bass. 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.

There were no comments.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Mayor Bass. 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 notice is attached hereto as exhibit "B".

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C. Public Comments

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

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D. Approval of the Claims Docket dated September 6, 2019

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated September 6, 2019, seconded by Mr. Leonard. 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 "C".

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E. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated August 15, 2019

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated August 15, 2019, seconded by Mr. Leonard. 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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Old Business

F. 1 a – Solid Waste 2020 House Count

Mr. Scharr advised the house count had been adjusted to reflect a decrease with a new house count of 13,942.

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the adjusted Solid Waste 2020 House Count, seconded by Mayor McDermott. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	abstained
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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

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New Business

F. 2 a – Waste Tire Grant

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to approve the Waste Tire Grant, seconded by Mayor Bass. 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 "F".

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F. 2 b – Designation of Primary Applicant Agent for FEMA Projects (Hurricane Nate)

Mayor Bass made a motion to designate John Wilson as Primary Applicant Agent for FEMA Projects (Hurricane Nate), 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. A copy of the memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "G".

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F. 2 c – Emergency Declaration for Keegan Bayou Influent Pipe Break

Mr. Leonard made a motion to declare an emergency for Keegan Bayou Influent Pipe Break, seconded by Mayor Bass. 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 "H".

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F. 2 d – Quarterly Solid Waste Fines (April – June 2019)

Mr. Scharr recommended assessing quarterly fines as follows:

- \$300.00 to Waste Management for 3 violations
- \$1,600.00 to Pelican Waste for 16 violations.

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the assessment of Quarterly Solid Waste Fines (April – June 2019), seconded by Mr. Leonard. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	abstained
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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F. 2 e – Approval of Award for Keegan Bayou Roof Repair Project – Mandal, Inc.

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to Award for Keegan Bayou Roof Repair Project – Mandal, Inc., seconded by Mayor Bass. 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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F. 2 f – Hickman Road Water Main Project – Overstreet & Associates – Amendment No. 1

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve Hickman Road Water Main Project – Overstreet & Associates – Amendment No. 1, seconded by Mr. Leonard. 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 amendment is attached hereto as exhibit "K".

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F. 2 g – BP Grant Sub-Agreement

Mayor Bass wanted assurances from the board to guarantee that the BP grant funds would be used to replace all Price Brothers pipe except areas where the pipe has been slip-lined.

Mr. Leonard recommended drafting a resolution to express the Board's wishes to have the BP funds used to replace the Price Brothers pipe.

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the BP Grant Sub-Agreement and Resolution, 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. A copy of the memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "G".

Motion

Mr. Leonard made a motion to authorize the Executive Director to draft a resolution stating the Board's intent to use all available BP grant funds to replace the Price Brothers pipe, seconded by Mayor Bass. 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. Mr. Simpson will provide this resolution at the next board meeting.

F. 2 h – Budget Review

Mr. Scharr recommended the board agree on a draft budget to present at a public hearing.

There was a discussion regarding the costs associated with the Henderson Point/Pass Christian Isles sewer system.

There was a discussion regarding the costs associated with the Riverhills plant.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to authorize issuing a notice of a public hearing on the FY-2020 Draft Budget as presented on September 19, 2019, seconded by Mr. Leonard. 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 draft budget is attached hereto as exhibit "K".

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F. 2 i – O & M Contract Proposals

Mr. Scharr advised that Mr. Gombos requested the item be placed on the agenda. In the absence of Mr. Gombos, Mr. Hornsby stated he did not have anything for discussion on the matter.

Mr. Leonard advised that the board had to decide on this at some point. He suggested obtaining a trusted agent to review and provide a recommendation.

Mayor Bass suggested the board review the proposals. Mr. Scharr stated he recommended board review of the proposals at the July 25, 2019 board meeting and Mayor Hewes said the normal process has been to have the technical committee review proposals and provide a recommendation to the board. During that that meeting, all board members agreed to proceed with the review process as normal. There was no formal action. Based on the board direction from the July 25th meeting, Mr. Scharr provided the proposals to the technical committee for review and ratings. Mr. Scharr stated that he was instructed by the board to put the review on hold

Mayor McDermott made a motion to have the Technical Committee review the O & M proposals and provide a recommendation to the Board for consideration, seconded by Mr. Leonard. 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.

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G. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Scharr advised the master planning efforts with Corps of Engineers will begin next week. HCUA staff will meet with the Corps next week.

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H. Executive Session

Mr. Scharr requested the Board enter Executive Session to discuss S-14 litigation and personnel matters.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to enter Executive Session, seconded by Mayor Bass. 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 Bass. 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 action taken during Executive Session.

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Motion

Mayor Bass made a motion to authorize Mr. Scharr to advertise for the Executive Director position, 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.


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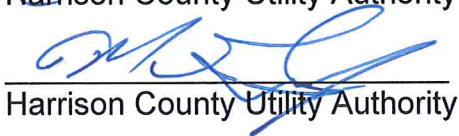
I. Adjourn - At this time Mayor McDermott made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Bass. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

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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