

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
October 1, 2020

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on October 1, 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 Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director
- Mayor Chipper McDermott, City of Pass Christian, Director
- Mayor Andrew "Fofa" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director
- Mayor George Bass, City of Long Beach, Director
- Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville
- Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director
- Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County (2), Director
- Mr. John Wilson, Executive Director, HCUA
- Ms. Cindy Breaux, Chief Financial Officer, HCUA
- Mr. Alan Lane, Solid Waste Coordinator, HCUA
- Ms. Sheila Marsh, Office Manager, HCUA
- Ms. Marie Ostrander, Financial Assistant, HCUA

ABSENT:

- Mr. James Simpson, Wise Carter, Attorneys and Esquire

AUDIENCE:

- Michael Yarbrough, Waste Management
- Jenne Bass, Waste Management
- Lisa Verhovshek, Wise Carter, Attorneys and Esquire
- Eric Wooten, Recycle Resources, LLC
- Wayne Waits, Recycle Resources, LLC
- Jane Meymardie, Wise Carter, Attorneys and Esquire

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

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Authority, Mayor Billy Hewes, representing City of Gulfport, 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 Billy Hewes opened the floor for public comments.

Mr. Eric Wooten with Recycle Resources, LLC approached the board offering services to lease land as a temporary storage for recycling. Mr. Wooten noted the land was issued a Class 1 Landfill Permit by MDEQ in 2018. A brochure was given to the Board for review with design and plan of services.

Mayor Billy Hewes stated Recycle Resources, LLC would need to have discussions with Waste Management, the board would like to review documentation of size, scope, scale, and fees to take under advisement. There were questions from board members regarding the requirements on storage requirements and Waste Management’s responsibility for negotiations regarding solution of temporary storage of recycling items. Mayor Hewes concluded a decision did not have to be made this date and Waste Management would be required to negotiate a solution and present solution or options to board for approval.

No vote was required.

A copy of the brochure from Recycle Resources, LLC is attached hereto as exhibit “B”.

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C. Approval of the Claims Docket dated October 1, 2020

Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated October 1, 2020, seconded by Mayor “FoFo” 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 “C”.

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D. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes Amended dated September 17, 2020

Mr. John Wilson explained information added to amend Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2020 was information on the vote on action taken for three advisor agents added to previous resolution for bond.

Mayor "Fofu" Gilich made a motion to adopt the Board Meeting Minutes as amended dated September 17, 2020, seconded by Mayor George 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 meeting minutes amended dated September 17, 2020 is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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E. Action Items

1. Old Business

E1a. FY19 Audit – Acceptance

Mr. John Wilson stated FY19 Audit was shared with various CFO's in cities with no response received and the Board requested opportunity to review FY19 Audit following previous board meeting. Mr. Wilson requested acceptance of FY19 Audit.

Mayor George Bass made motion to accept FY19 Audit, seconded by Mayor Chipper McDermott. A roll call resulted in the following votes:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	opposed
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 FY19 Audit is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

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E1b. Waste Management – Recycling Program/Hurricane Sally

Mr. John Wilson recommended to discontinue recycling on curb side and resume services when Pensacola is operational, and Waste Management would resume pick up including any customer stockpile.

Michael Yarbrough, Waste Management, stated 60 tons of recycling currently stored and Emerald Coast MRF anticipating three to three and half weeks until operational.

Mayor Hewes advised moving forward Mr. John Wilson will contact MDEQ for approved options including approved temporary site for stockpile under Act of God/Force Majeure event or Emergency Declaration and any related environmental information from MDEQ. Mr. Wilson should also note any incurred expenses for member agencies or HCUA and inquire if funds available as result on spread of minutes from storm threat. Also, The Focus Group will notify public immediately curb side recycle service will continue as usual. In the event Mr. Wilson encounters any delays, Board will be contacted to schedule a special meeting next week. The Board requested an update by close of business this date of circumstances moving forward.

No vote taken.

A copy of the Waste Management - Recycling Program/Hurricane Sally attached hereto as exhibit "F".

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2. New Business

E2a. Proposed 2020 Bond – 2 Resolutions – Approval

Mr. John Wilson reported that the purpose of the 2 Resolutions is to setup rules for offering and HCUA is not currently locked into an agreement on fees with advisors and agents yet.

Ms. Jane Meymardie, Bond Council, explained missed September 3, 2020 deadline if close by November 2, 2020 and anticipating closing December 1, 2020. Ms. Meymardie explained on the existing deals closing only takes place on the first business day of each month and in the Sales Resolution HCUA only has authority to make deal if agency going to save money.

Mr. John Wilson added no current agreement in place to pay cost of fees and Mr. Jim Simpson will prepare and submit resolution of fees for the six or seven advisors/agents working currently for approval. The approval for fees would be presented to the board for approval, if not approved there would be the opportunity for other professionals to submit their proposed fees.

Ms. Jane Meymardie added decisions can be made for member agencies internally regarding bond. Regarding other fees, Ms. Meymardie indicated a resolution with engagement letter indicated, no fee set, but HCUA will pay a reasonable fee for bond services.

Ms. Connie Rockco, Supervisor made a motion to adopt Proposed 2020 Bond – 2 Resolutions, seconded by, seconded by Mayor “Fofa” Gilich. A roll call 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 Proposed 2020 Bond – 2 Resolutions – Approval is attached hereto as exhibit “G”.

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E2b. WFC Ph2 – Project close out & final payment approval

Mr. John Wilson recommended approval of WFC Ph2 – Project close out & final payment.

Mayor Chipper McDermott made motion to approve WFC Ph2 – Project close out & final payment, seconded by Mayor George Bass. A roll call 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 WFC Ph2 – Project close out & final payment approval is attached hereto as exhibit “H”.

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F. Executive Director’s Report

None

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G. Executive Session

There was no need for Executive Session.

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H. **Adjourn** – At this time Mayor Chipper McDermott made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor George 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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