

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
June 23, 2016

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on June 23, 2016, 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 Andrew "Fofu" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director  
Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director  
Mayor Billy Skellie, City of Long Beach, Director  
Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville  
Supervisor Angel Kibler-Middleton, Harrison County (2), Director  
Mayor Chipper McDermott, City of Pass Christian, Director  
Mr. Donald Scharr, Executive Director, HCUA  
Ms. Patra Roberts, Office Manager, HCUA  
Mr. Michael VanCourt, Comptroller, HCUA

**ABSENT:**

Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director  
Mr. James Simpson, Wise Carter Attorneys, Esquire

**AUDIENCE:**

Mr. Gerald Blessey, City of Biloxi  
Mr. Kris Riemann, City of Gulfport  
Ms. Lisa Verhovshek, Wise Carter Attorneys  
Ms. Linda Elias, City of Gulfport  
Mr. Roy Boswell, Utility Partners  
Mr. Jim Bozek, Utility Partners  
Mr. Rupert Jemmott, Waste Pro

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

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

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**A. Public Comments** – Mayor Gilich opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments.

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**Old Business - None**

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**New Business**

**B. 2 a – In-House O & M Performance Update**

Mr. Scharr provided the Board with a budgetary assessment of HCUA in-house operations for the Henderson Point and water systems.

There were discussions regarding whether in-house operations or contract operations are more cost effective.

No action needed. A copy of the assessment is attached hereto as exhibit "B".

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**B. 2 b – Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Workshop**

Mr. Scharr advised the Board that Mr. Demery Grubbs, of Government Consultants, will address the Board at the July 7, 2016 board meeting to provide an update on the bond refinancing options.

Mr. Scharr addressed the Board regarding debt allocation amongst the member agencies. He advised that HCUA does not have any contracts or agreements on record that addresses how these costs should be distributed. Mr. Scharr recommends that agreements be established to address the method of cost distribution. He stated the allocation of costs must be determined in order to prepare the 2017 budget.

Mr. Scharr will schedule meetings with the member agencies that have shared costs to determine the distribution method.

The Board has requested the auditors review the allocation methods and provide a comparison.

No action needed. A copy of payment distributions is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

Mr. Scharr requested the Board authorize Mayor Gilich to execute the approved Broadwater Lease Agreement with the City of Biloxi.

Mr. Gombos made a motion to authorize Mayor Gilich to execute the approved Broadwater Lease Agreement, 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	absent
Harrison County (2)	voted	aye
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion to adjourn passed.

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**Adjourn** - At this time Mr. Gombos made a motion to adjourn, 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	absent
Harrison County (2)	voted	aye
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion to adjourn passed.

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Mark S. Scharr  
Harrison County Utility Authority



Angel Middleton  
Harrison County Utility Authority