

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
November 15, 2018

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on November 15, 2018 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  
Mr. Joe Culpepper, representing the City of Long Beach  
Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville  
Mayor Andrew "Fofa" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director  
Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director  
Supervisor Angel Kibler-Middleton, 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:

Mayor George Bass, City of Long Beach, Director

AUDIENCE:

Ms. Cindy Lamb, Pickering Firm  
Ms. Cara Wagner, Pickering Firm  
Mr. Jason Overstreet, Overstreet & Associates  
Mr. Scott Burge, BMA Engineering  
Mr. Buford Clark, Waste Management  
Ms. Jenna Bennett, Waste Management  
Ms. Colby Cantrell, Pelican Waste  
Mr. Charles Roberts, 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, 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**

## **B. Public Comments**

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

## **C. Approval of the Claims Docket dated November 16, 2018**

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated November 16, 2018, 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".

## **D. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated November 1, 2018**

Supervisor Middleton made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes November 1, 2018, 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

## **E. Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated November 7, 2018**

Supervisor Middleton made a motion to spread on the minutes the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated November 7, 2018, 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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## **F. Financial Report**

Ms. Christian provided the board with a financial report as of October 31, 2018.

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

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## **Old Business**

### **G. 1 a – Assignment of Engineering Contract – West Fritz Creek Phase 2**

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve the Assignment of Engineering Contract – West Fritz Creek Phase 2, 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 "F".

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## **New Business**

### **G. 2 a – Eagle Point Lagoon Closure – Substantial Completion**



Mr. Scharr recommended board approval of the substantial completion as of October 15, 2018 and to defer the approval of the closeout package until the next meeting.

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve the Eagle Point Lagoon Closure Substantial Completion as of October 15, 2018, 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 substantial completion is attached hereto as exhibit "G".

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#### **G. 2 b – Eagle Point Lagoon Closure – Surveying Services**

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve the Eagle Point Lagoon Closure – Surveying Services with the correction to the permit expiration date, 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 "H".

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#### **G. 2 c – MDEQ MOU for Long Beach Sewer Improvements**

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve the MDEQ MOU for Long Beach Sewer Improvements, seconded by Supervisor Middleton. 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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## **G. 2 d – Solid Waste Quarterly Fines**

Mr. Scharr recommended Waste Management be fined \$200 for two violations and Pelican Waste be fined \$700 for seven violations.

Supervisor Middleton made a motion to approve the Solid Waste Quarterly Fines, 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 "J".

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## **G. 2 a – Proposed HCUA Salary Adjustments**

Mayor McDermott made a motion to move the Proposed HCUA Salary Adjustments to Executive Session for purposes of specific staff salary discussions, 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 item will be taken up in Executive Session.

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#### **H. Solid Waste Report**

Mr. Scharr provided a summary of the first year of solid waste operations under the new contract.

A copy of the solid waste report is attached hereto as exhibit "K".

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#### **I. Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Scharr requested Board concurrence to move forward with the evaluation of the SOQs for RPR services. The Board authorized Mr. Scharr to proceed with the evaluation of the submittals.

Mr. Scharr advised that he continues to receive positive feedback regarding HCUA receiving BP funding.

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#### **J. 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.

Mr. Simpson advised the Board that the State Ethics Commission has updated their ruling to allow for the determination of Executive Session to be done in the same room when appropriate.

Mr. Simpson stated the Board has found it appropriate to go into Executive Session to provide an update on potential litigation related to the S-14 project and specific personnel matters.

Supervisor Ladner 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 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.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

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## **G. 2 a – Proposed HCUA Salary Adjustments**

Mayor Gilich made a motion to table and reconsider the Proposed HCUA Salary Adjustments at the December 6, 2018 board meeting, seconded by Mayor Hewes. 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 "L".

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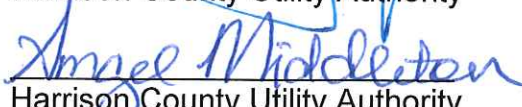
**K. Adjourn** - At this time Mayor McDermott made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Gilich. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

Biloxi	voted	aye
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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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