

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
January 16, 2020

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BOARD AND STAFF:

Mayor Chipper McDermott, City of Pass Christian, Director  
Mayor Andrew "Fofo" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director  
Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville  
Mr. Kris Riemann, representing the City of Gulfport  
Ms. Jacklyn Turner, representing Harrison County (1) & (2) Directors  
Mr. Bernie Parker, representing the City of Long Beach  
Mr. Steve Simpson, Wise Carter Attorneys, Esquire  
Mr. John Wilson, Executive Director, HCUA  
Ms. Marie Ostrander, Financial Assistant, 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 Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director  
Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County (2), Director  
Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director  
Mr. Jim Simpson, Wise Carter Attorneys, Esquire

AUDIENCE:

Mr. Andy Phelan, The Focus Group  
Ms. Brynn Joachim, The Focus Group  
Mr. Damon Torricelli, Neel-Schaffer  
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Mr. Derrel Wilson, Utility Partners  
Mr. Bobby Knesal, Utility Partners  
Ms. Colby Cantrell, Pelican Waste  
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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 January 17, 2020**

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated January 17, 2020, seconded by Mr. Parker. 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 December 19, 2019**

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated December 19, 2019, seconded by Mr. Parker. 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 January 9, 2019**

Mayor Gilich made a motion to accept the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated January 9, 2019, seconded by Mr. Parker. 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".



**F. Financial Report**

The Board accepted the Financial Report for December 2019 as presented.

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



**G. Marketing Report**

The Board accepted the Marketing Report as submitted by The Focus Group.

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



**H. Solid Waste Report**

The Board accepted the Solid Waste Report as presented.

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



**Old Business**

**I. 1 – None**



**New Business**

**I. 2 a – Emergency Repairs – Johnson Road Pump Station Force Main Leak**

Mayor McDermott made a motion to declare an emergency for Repairs – Johnson Road Pump Station Force Main Leak, 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 "H".

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**I. 2 b – Hickman Road Water Main Project – Change Order No. 1**

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve Hickman Road Water Main Project – Change Order No. 1, 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 change order is attached hereto as exhibit "I".

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**I. 2 c – Hickman Road Water Main Project – Payment Application No. 1**

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve Hickman Road Water Main Project – Payment Application No. 1, seconded by Mr. Gombos. 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 payment application is attached hereto as exhibit "J".

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**I. 2 d – City of Gulfport Solid Waste Settlement**

Mr. Wilson presented the proposed distribution for the settlement amount.

Mayor Gilich requested the total settlement amount of \$700,000 be distributed among the member agencies by house count. Legal fees totaling \$52,723.97 have already been paid.

Mr. Wilson will change the distribution and bring it back to the Board.

Mayor Gilich made a motion to distribute the full amount of the City of Gulfport Solid Waste Settlement based on house count, subject to dialogue between member agencies, 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 "K".

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**I. 2 e – Solid Waste Quarterly Fines – October through December 2019**

Mr. Wilson recommended assessing the following fines:

1. Waste Management – 2 finable offenses totaling \$350.00
2. Pelican Waste – 4 finable offenses totaling \$400.00.

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve Solid Waste Quarterly Fines – October through December 2019, 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "L".

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**I. 2 f – The Reserve at Carr Bridge**

Mr. Simpson indicated that additional documents need to be executed prior to HCUA acceptance.

Mr. Parker made a motion to table the Reserve at Carr Bridge, 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.

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**J. Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Wilson introduced Mr. & Mrs. James King of D'Iberville.

Mr. James King addressed the Board regarding acquiring an easement for proper access to the D'Iberville Lift Station.

Mr. Gombos requested this matter be tabled until the February 6, 2020 board meeting to allow legal counsel, HCUA, and the City of D'Iberville to come up with a resolution.

Mr. Parker made a motion to table D'Iberville Lift Station matter, 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.

Mr. Wilson stated the West Fritz Creek Project is in-progress. HCUA is currently working to resolve issues regarding traffic access and road closures in the Florence Gardens area.

The engineering contract for the BP Project has been approved. A kickoff meeting will be held this afternoon with MDEQ and Covington.

The contract for the Emergency and Minor Construction services is being reviewed by legal counsel. The final contract is expected to be presented for board approval at the February 6, 2020 board meeting.

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**J. Executive Session**

Mr. Simpson advised that there was no need for 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
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The motion to adjourn passed.

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