

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
March 1, 2018

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on March 1, 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
Mayor George Bass, City of Long Beach, Director
Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville
Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director
Supervisor Angel Kibler-Middleton, Harrison County (2), Director
Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director
Mayor Andrew "Fofa" Gilich, City of Biloxi, 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:

AUDIENCE:

Mr. Bruce Newton, Digital Engineering
Mr. Dax Alexander, BMA Engineering
Mr. Jason Overstreet, A. Garner Russell & Associates
Mr. Scott Burge, A. Garner Russell & Associates
Mr. Damon Torricelli, Neel – Schaffer, Inc.
Ms. Brynn Joachim, The Focus Group
Mr. Bernie Parker, City of Long Beach
Mr. Wally Carter, Team Waste
Ms. Jenna Bennett, Team Waste
Mr. Tommy Thibodeaux, Pelican Waste
Ms. Colby Cantrell, Pelican Waste
Mr. Charles Roberts, Pelican Waste
Ms. Leah Talbot, Waste Management
Mr. Mike Hall, Waste Management
Mr. Buford Clark, Waste Management
Mr. Paul Foley, Michael Baker, International
Mr. Derrel Wilson, Utility Partners
Mr. Bobby Knesal, Utility Partners
Mr. John Gerg, Waste Pro
Ms. Jolene Johnson, Waste Pro

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

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Authority, Mayor McDermott 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 McDermott opened the floor for public comments.

Ms. Brynn Joachim, of The Focus Group, presented HCUA with the Mississippi Gulf Coast Addy Awards for the recycle campaign. The recycle campaign was awarded in the categories of:

1. Public Service Billboard Campaigns – Silver Award
2. Public Service Online Interactive Campaigns – Silver Award
3. Integrated Public Service Campaigns – Silver Award
4. Judge's Choice for the Public Service Campaign.

She stated the HCUA campaign will move on to regional competition.

Mr. Wally Carter, of Team Waste, announced that Waste Management has acquired the controlling interest in Team Waste Gulf Coast and Louisiana, as of March 1, 2018. Waste Management will retain 137 out of 140 employees.

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Motion to Amend the Agenda

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to amend the agenda to add item F. 2 d, 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 agenda was amended to add item F. 2 d.

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C. Approval of Claims Docket dated March 2, 2018

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated March 2, 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".

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D. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated February 15, 2018

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated February 15, 2018 with corrections, 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 minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

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E. Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 21, 2018

Mayor Bass made a motion to accept and spread on the minutes the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 21, 2018, 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 minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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Old Business

F. 1 a – Resolution to Adopt Revised Solid Waste Management Plan

Supervisor Ladner made a motion adopt the Revised Solid Waste Management Plan with the corrections as noted by Mayor Hewes, 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 resolution is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

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New Business

F. 2 a – SP-12 Project – Recommendation for Engineering Design Services – A. Garner Russell & Associates

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to approve the SP-12 Project – Recommendation for Engineering Design Services – A. Garner Russell & Associates, 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 – West Fritz Creek Project Phase II – Resolution for Property Acquisition

Mayor Bass made a motion to adopt the West Fritz Creek Project Phase II – Resolution for Property Acquisition and begin the process for imminent domain on the White Track Easement, 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

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F. 2 c – CY 2017 Retainage – Utility Partners

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the CY 2017 Retainage for Utility Partners for the full amount of \$129,294.44, 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 – Waste Tire Grant Application

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to approve the renewal of the Waste Tire Grant Application, seconded by Mayor Bass. 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 passed.

F. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Scharr presented the Board with a memorandum for proposed rates for retail services to schools. He stated that he will make recommendations on a change to the connection policy to incorporate these rates at the next board meeting. No action is required at this time.

A copy of the memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "I".

Mr. Scharr requested to schedule a mid-year budget review and the workshop for allocation of legal costs and settlement funds. HCUA staff will work to coordinate with board members for a time and date.

Mr. Scharr advised the board of an issue with the S-14 project where raw sewage is leaking from a broken force main. He stated the damage appears to be a result of the construction work on the project.

Supervisor Middleton noted that untreated sewage is flowing from Steve Day's lagoon into the Flat Branch stream.

Mr. Simpson recommended the Board discuss more details related to potential litigation regarding the project in Executive Session.

G. Executive Session

Mr. Gombos made a motion to enter into closed session to determine the need for 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.

Mr. Simpson stated the need to discuss potential litigation matters related to the S-14 project and a personnel matter.

Mayor Gilich made a motion to enter Executive Session, 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 Board entered into Executive Session.

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Mr. Gombos made a motion to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session, 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. The Board returned to Open Session.

No action taken during Executive Session.

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H. Adjourn - At this time Mr. Gombos made a motion to adjourn, 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 to adjourn passed.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Angel Middleton".

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