

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
October 18, 2018

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on October 18, 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  
Mr. Mike Leonard, representing the City of Biloxi  
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 Andrew "Fofo" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director

**AUDIENCE:**

Mr. Damon Torricelli, Neel Schaffer  
Mr. Jim Huentelman, Inframark  
Mr. Bernie Parker, Long Beach  
Mr. Billie Skellie, Long Beach  
Mr. Buford Clark, Waste Management  
Ms. Jenna Bennett, Waste Management  
Mr. Michael Yarbrough, Waste Management  
Mr. Larry Moxley, 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, Mayor Bass 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 Bass opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments.

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## **C. Approval of the Claims Docket dated October 19, 2018**

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated October 19, 2018, seconded by Mr. Leonard. 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 October 4, 2018**

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes October 4, 2018, seconded by Supervisor 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

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## **E. Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated October 10, 2018**

Mr. Gombos made a motion to spread on the minutes the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated October 10, 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 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 September 30, 2018.

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to accept the Financial Report as presented, 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 financial report is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

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**Non-Agenda Discussion**

Mr. Simpson advised the board that there are some member agencies who have not provided written notice on how to distribute over/under funds. He requested that each member agency submit their preference in writing to HCUA, if it had not already been provided.

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**Old Business**



**G. 1 a – Waste Management Pecan Grove Landfill – Request for CPI Adjustment**

Mayor Hewes requested the board reconsider their original vote on September 20, 2018 where there was 6 to 1 vote to approve the CPI adjustment. Mayor Hewes stated he would vote to approve the adjustment if the matter is reconsidered.

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to reconsider approval of the Waste Management Pecan Grove Landfill – Request for CPI Adjustment, 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.

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to approve the Waste Management Pecan Grove Landfill – Request for CPI Adjustment, seconded 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 request attached hereto as exhibit "F".

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**New Business**

**G. 2 a 1 – HCUA Organization – Construction/Engineering Management**

Mr. Scharr recommended board approval of the proposed changes to the HCUA organizational structure, job descriptions, and authorization to fill a vacant position as presented.

Mayor Hewes requested the Executive Director's responsibilities should be changed to include that he will regularly conduct site visits to active projects.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to table the item to be taken up in Executive 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 item was tabled until Executive Session.

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#### **G. 2 a 2 – Approval to Advertise for Polymer Bids**

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve Request to Advertise for Polymer Bids, 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 "G".

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

Mr. Lane provided a summary of the Solid Waste Report for the month of September 2018.

A copy of the report is attached hereto as exhibit "H".

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

Mr. Scharr advised that he is compiling additional information for submission to MDEQ for the mini-application on the Price Brothers project.

## 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. The Board went into a Closed Session to determine the need for an Executive Session.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to exit Closed 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.

Mr. Simpson stated the Board has found it appropriate to go into Executive Session to discuss a potential litigation matter and two personnel matters.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to enter Executive Session, 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. 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 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. The Board returned to Open Session. No action was taken during Executive Session.

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## **G. 2 a 1 – HCUA Organization – Construction/Engineering Management**

Mayor McDermott made a motion to authorize the Executive Director to move forward with the HCUA Organization – Construction/Engineering Management changes as presented, 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 "I".

Mr. Scharr will finalize adjustments to the job descriptions, organizational chart, and detail the funding for the new position to be presented for final approval.



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**K. Adjourn** - At this time Mayor McDermott 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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