

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
July 12, 2017

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on July 12, 2017, 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:

Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director
Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director
Mayor Andrew "Fofa" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director
Mayor George Bass, City of Long Beach, Director
Supervisor Angel Kibler-Middleton, Harrison County (2), Director
Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville
Mayor Chipper McDermott, City of Pass Christian, Director
Mr. Russell Nobile, Wise Carter Attorneys, Esquire
Mr. Donald Scharr, Executive Director, HCUA
Mr. John Wilson, O & M Manager, HCUA
Ms. Julie Christian, Chief Financial Officer, HCUA
Ms. Patra Roberts, Office Manager, HCUA
Mr. Alan Lane, Solid Waste Coordinator, HCUA

ABSENT:

Mr. James Simpson, Wise Carter Attorneys, Esquire

AUDIENCE:

Mr. Derrel Wilson, Utility Partners
Mr. Truett Schiel, Utility Partners

Mr. Bernie Parker, City of Long Beach
Mr. Ron Robertson, City of Long Beach
Mr. Roddie Matherne, Pelican Waste
Mr. Tommy Thibodeaux, Pelican Waste
Mr. Jon Bierd, Waste Pro
Mr. Wally Carter, Team Waste
Ms. Paige Carter, Team Waste
Ms. Jenna Bennett, Team Waste
Mr. Andrew Densing, Team Waste
Mr. Tim Callahan, Team Waste

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. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

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B. Public Comments

Mayor McDermott opened the floor for public comments.

Mr. Wally Carter, of Team Waste, addressed the Board. Mr. Carter stated he believed that there was a miscommunication during the contract negotiations between him and Mr. Scharr, with regards to dumpster services. He stated Exhibit A. was presented to the Board as part of the contract. Exhibit A. included dumpster, roll-off, and front loader pricing. Mr. Carter believed that Team Waste was being awarded the dumpster services based on the negotiations that took place and the manner in which the contract was presented.

Mr. Scharr advised that the Board authorized him to go back and try to get the best pricing possible. He stated that the last contract presented for Pelican Waste included pricing for dumpster services also. Mr. Scharr advised that the contract language for each provider clearly defines what services they are committing to. He advised Exhibit A. only established rates. He stated that he negotiated with both Team Waste and Pelican Waste for the commercial dumpster services.

There was discussion regarding the Board authorizing the negotiation with Pelican Waste for trash collection only.

There was discussion regarding the fairness of the subsequent negotiations with Pelican Waste for dumpster services, after the approval the Team Waste contract. Mr. Scharr stated Pelican Waste asked for the pricing for Team Waste and it was provided because it was public information. He stated this was not a strategy for negotiation. He advised the signed Team Waste contract and the Pelican Waste contract being presented today do not obligate HCUA to given any specific amount of dumpster service to either company. The dumpster services can be awarded at the Board's discretion. Mr. Nobile advised the Board that neither contract provides exclusivity regarding the dumpster services.

There was a discussion on the pricing for Pelican Waste still being higher for dumpster services than Team Waste.

The Board members understood the dumpster services were included in the contract with Team Waste, because of the inclusion of Exhibit A.

Approval of Solid Waste Trash Collection Contract – Pelican Waste

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to approve the contract with Pelican Waste for Trash Collection Only, 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 contract is attached hereto as exhibit "B".

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C. 1 a - Old Business

None

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New Business – Non-CDBG

C. 2 a 1 – Approval of Solid Waste Trash Collection Contract – Pelican Waste

Previously approved during public comments.

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Motion to Amend the Agenda

Mr. Scharr requested the board amend the agenda.

Mr. Gombos made a motion to amend the agenda to add item C. 2 a 2 – Declaration of Emergency Repairs to Johnson Road Pump Station, 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.

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C. 2 a 2 – Declaration of Emergency for Repairs to Johnson Road Pump Station

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the Declaration of Emergency Repairs to Johnson Road Pump Station, 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 request is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

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Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.


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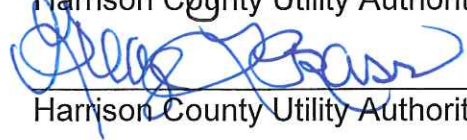
Adjourn - At this time Mr. Gombos made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Middleton. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

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 to adjourn passed.

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