HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING May 6, 2021

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on May 6, 2021 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:

Mr. Wayne Miller, representing City of Gulfport
Mayor Chipper McDermott, City of Pass Christian, Director
Mayor Andrew "Fofo" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director
Mayor George Bass, City of Long Beach, Director
Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville
Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director
Mr. John Wilson, Executive Director, HCUA
Mr. Alan Lane, Solid Waste Coordinator, HCUA

Ma. Cindy Process Chief Financial Officer, HCU

Ms. Cindy Breaux, Chief Financial Officer, HCUA

Mr. David Perkins, O&M Manager

Mr. Derek Bullock, Engineering Project Manager

Ms. Sheila Marsh, Office Manager, HCUA

Mr. James Simpson, Wise Carter, Attorneys and Esquire

ABSENT:

Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County (2)

AUDIENCE:

Michael Yarbrough, Waste Management Tim Smith, Harrison County Road Department Fred Escher, QSM-VAPEX Charles Roberts, Pelican Waste Cara Wagner, Pickering Engineering Cindy Lamb, Pickering Engineering

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

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Authority, Mr. Wayne Miller, representing City of Gulfport, called the meeting to order. The following proceedings were had and done.

A. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Marlin Ladner requested amendment to agenda, to add item Fa. Solid Waste Collection – Performance Standards/Pelican, under Solid Waste.

Mayor Chipper McDermott made motion to Amend Agenda, add item Fa. Solid Waste Collection – Performance Standards/Pelican, seconded by Supervisor Marlin 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	
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed to amend agenda, added item Fa. Solid Waste Collection – Performance Standards/Pelican.

B. Public Comments

Mr. Wayne Miller, representing The City of Gulfport, opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments.

C. Approval of the Claims Docket dated May 6, 2021

Mayor Chipper McDermott requested explanation of refunds to the member agencies and how refunds are determined, and explanation to what is associated with ALFALAVAL.

Mr. John Wilson explained the budget is set and results of over/under spending constitutes refunds. ALFALAVAL is equipment associated with UV lights at Wastewater Treatment Plants.

Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated May 6, 2021, seconded by Mayor George Bass. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	

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 April 15, 2021

Mayor Chipper McDermott made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated April 15, 2021 seconded by Mayor George Bass. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of Board Meeting Minutes dated April 15, 2021 is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

E. Action Items

1. Old Business

None

2. New Business

E2a. Declaration Emergency – Beatline for Break (04/16/2021)

Mr. John Wilson explained there was an issue involving a Price Brothers line break that required repair on Beatline Road.

Supervisor Marlin Ladner made a motion to accept the Declaration Emergency - Beatline for Break (04/16/2021), seconded by Mr. Al Gombos. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	

Pass Christian

voted

aye

The motion passed. A copy of the Declaration Emergency – Beatline for Break (04/16/2021), is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

E2b. Long Beach Project - Rejection, Revision & Re-advertisement

Mr. John Wilson recommended approval for Long Beach Project – Rejection, Revision & Redadvertisement. Mr. John Wilson also requested to reallocate \$104,000 FEMA funding to Long Beach Project. He explained \$104,000 was left over FEMA funding from many years ago and money can be used for repair or maintenance of wastewater systems.

Mayor George Bass made motion to approve Long Beach Project – Rejection, Revision & Re-Advertisement, including reallocate \$104,000 of FEMA funding to Long Beach Project, seconded by Mayor Chipper McDermott. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of the Long Beach Project – Rejection, Revision & Readvertisement/including Reallocate FEMA Funding is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

E2c. Financial Audit RFQ

Mr. John Wilson requested permission to advertise Financial Audit RFQ.

Mayor Chipper McDermott made motion to approve advertisement for **Financial Audit RFQ**, seconded by Supervisor Marlin Ladner. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi		voted	aye
Gulfport		voted	aye
D'Iberville		voted	aye
Long Beach		voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	X.	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)		voted	
Pass Christian		voted	ave

The motion passed. A copy of the Financial Audit RFQ is attached hereto as exhibit "F".

E2d. Property and Casualty Insurance RFQ

Mr. John Wilson recommended approval for Property and Casualty Insurance RFQ, in order, to assess options that could result in reducing costs of insurance.

Mayor George Bass made motion to approve Property and Casualty Insurance RFQ, seconded by Mayor Chipper McDermott. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of the Property and Casualty Insurance RFQ is attached hereto as exhibit "G".

E2e. Long Beach Project – Pickering Amendment

Supervisor Marlin Ladner questioned if the Long Beach Project - Pickering Amendment request included revising plans.

Mr. John Wilson explained previous bids were rejected due to bids over budget. New bid will include revisions to project that will reduce work, in order, to bring project under budget.

Mr. George Bass made motion to approve Long Beach Project – Pickering Amendment, seconded by Mayor Chipper McDermott. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of the Long Beach Project – Pickering Amendment, is attached hereto as exhibit "H".

E2f. Machado Patano Engineering – Proposal for Electrical Design/Keegan Bayou

Mr. John Wilson explained Machado Patano Engineering – Proposal for Electrical Design/Keegan Bayou request for the electrical design to install DO meters/automate system, would assist in monitoring aeration at Kegan Bayou Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mayor George Bass made motion to approve Machado Patano Engineering – Proposal for Electrical Design/Keegan Bayou, seconded by Mayor "Fofo" Gilich. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of the Machado Patano Engineering – Proposal for Electrical Design/Keegan Bayou, is attached hereto as exhibit "I".

E2g. Declaration Emergency – Sunkist Pumpstation Piping Break Added as Amendment Item

Mr. John Wilson explained, the Declaration Emergency – Sunkist Pumpstation Piping Break, on Sunday, May 2, 2021, was due to a hang up in the check valve which resulted in pipe kick back a third pump continued to pump, thru the pipe and force main. The temporary solution was to use bypass pumps to avoid bypassing station. Currently replacement pipes and valves are being sought.

Mayor George Bass made motion to approve Declaration Emergency – Sunkist Pumpstation Piping Break - Added as Amendment Item, seconded by Mayor "Fofo" Gilich. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	

Pass Christian voted aye

The motion passed. A copy of the Declaration Emergency – Sunkist Pumpstation Piping Break, is attached hereto as exhibit "J".

E2h. Long Beach Project-Phase II, Recommendation for Award

Added as Amendment Item

Mr. John Wilson explained that motion should include Change Order No. 1, reducing the scope and cost of Alternate 2 by \$93,300.

Mayor George Bass made motion to approve Long Beach Project – Phase II, Recommendation for Award, Added as Amendment Item, including Change Order No. 1, seconded by Mayor "Fofo" Gilich. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of the Long Beach Project – Phase II, Recommendation for Award, including Change Order No. 1 is attached hereto as exhibit "K".

F. Solid Waste – Sewer Fines (January – March 2021)

A motion was made by Mayor George Bass to add discussion of Pelican Waste Performance, seconded by Supervisor Marlin Ladner.

Supervisor Marlin Ladner expressed concerns for the performance by Pelican Waste for debris removal. Supervisor Ladner explained he understands vacant lot debris removal is not part of Pelican Waste contract, but he had a list of roads that have not had piles removed for weeks and the county offices have had numerous calls about debris not removed on county roads. Supervisor Ladner's concerns also included the imposed fines, and whether or not fines imposed were in line with Pelican's contract.

Tim Smith, Road Department Manager for Harrison County was introduced by Supervisor Lander. Mr. Smith stated that there are concerns about the influx in piles and that the piles create grass maintenance, drainage, and reptile issues.

Mr. Al Gombos voiced concerns about Pelican Waste and Waste Management regarding the calculation of fines. He stated fines issued for missed streets should include fines for every day the street is missed until solid waste is removed and not just fined the first day occurrence. Mr. Gombos also noted that old provider cans are being emptied and not remove from site.

Mr. Alan Lane explained that when he is notified of an old provider solid waste can, he approves the disposal of trash by solid waste provider and then he removes can and deliveries it to the North Gulfport Plant. Once there are a sufficient, amount of cans for pick up, the provider of the cans is contacted to pick up cans.

Mayor "Fofo" Gilich requested a spreadsheet by route with the street address of each house and the RFI numbers associated with each can for a given route day. Mayor Gilich will review the census of what is picked up.

Mr. Alan Lane explained he had a master list of the routes. Each address will list the solid waste can serial numbers associated with that address.

Mayor "Fofo" Gilich suggested scheduling a special meeting with Solid Waste Contractors, for Tuesday, May 12, 2021.

Mr. John Wilson agreed to scheduling a special meeting, on Tuesday, May 12, 2021, to meet with Pelican Waste and Waste Management to discuss services related to contracts.

A Special Meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, May 12, 2021, 9:00 AM for Solid Waste Collection Performances by Pelican Waste and Waste Management.

Mr. Al Gombos made motion to approve Solid Waste – Sewer Fines (January – March 2021), seconded by Supervisor Marlin Ladner. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	sustain
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of the Solid Waste Report is attached hereto as exhibit "L".

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G. Executive Director's Report

Mr. John Wilson explained that S14 Project is progressing.

H. Executive Session

There was no need for Executive Session.

I. Adjourn – At this time Mayor Chipper McDermott made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor George Bass. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D'Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion to adjourn passed.

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