

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
January 18, 2018

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on January 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. Steve 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:

Mr. James Simpson, Wise Carter Attorneys, Esquire
Mayor Andrew "Fofa" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director

AUDIENCE:

Mr. Dax Alexander, BMA Engineering
Ms. Cindy Lamb, Pickering Engineering
Mr. Jonathon Damiens, J. Levens Builders
Ms. Jenna Bennett, Team Waste
Ms. Colby Cantrell, Pelican Waste
Mr. Paul Foley, Michael Baker International
Mr. Derrel Wilson, Utility Partners
Mr. Bobby Knesal, Utility Partners

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. There were no public comments.

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C. Approval of Claims Docket dated January 19, 2018

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated January 19, 2018, 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 claims docket is attached hereto as exhibit "B".

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C. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated January 4, 2018

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated January 4, 2018, 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

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E. Technical Committee Minutes dated January 10, 2018

Mayor Bass made a motion to accept and spread on the minutes the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated January 10, 2018, 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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F. Financial Report

Ms. Christian provided a summary of the financial report as of December 31, 2017. No action required.

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Old Business

G. 1 a – Draft Ordinance for Service Disconnection

Mr. Simpson stated the ordinance would require a public notice and then it would come back to the Board for formal adoption.

Mr. Gombos made a motion to accept the Draft Ordinance for Service Disconnection and to proceed with public notification, 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 draft ordinance is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

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New Business

G. 2 a – Clarification on Settlement Distributions for Biloxi and Gulfport

Mr. Gombos made a motion to authorize the full disbursements of \$200,000 to the City of Biloxi and \$82,500 to the City of Gulfport, 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "F".

A workshop will be scheduled to develop a process to handle future settlement costs and distributions.

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G. 2 b – Authorization to Solicit RPR Services for Eagle Point Lagoon Closure

Mr. Scharr recommended Board authorization to enter into negotiations with Pickering Engineering for the RPR Services on the Eagle Point Lagoon Closure project.

Mayor Bass made a motion to authorize the Executive Director to enter into negotiations with Pickering Engineering for the RPR Services for the Eagle Point Lagoon Closure Project, 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "G".

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Non-Agenda Discussion

Mayor Bass stated he was contacted by J. Levens Builders regarding an outstanding invoice from November 2017, related to the emergency repairs to the Price Brothers pipe at Espy Avenue. Mayor Bass expressed his concerns over the invoice still being outstanding and the fact that J. Levens was asked to settle for a lesser amount than what was agreed upon.

Mr. Scharr advised that he is meeting with Mr. Jonathon Damiens, from J. Levens, today to resolve the matter.

Mr. Scharr stated that beginning immediately all invoices will be approved or commented on within 30 days of receipt.

There was also some discussion regarding additional pipe that J. Levens has been storing at no charge. Mr. Scharr stated that arrangements will be finalized today to have the pipe moved to HCUA storage.

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H. Solid Waste Report

Mr. Lane provided a solid waste report for December 2017. He noted that the participation rate for recycling was 33 percent.

Mr. Scharr stated HCUA staff will gather additional information to make recommendations at the next board meeting, regarding the cost for larger recycle carts and additional services.

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

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I. Executive Director's Report

There was no Executive Director's Report.

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J. Executive Session

Mr. Gombos made a motion to enter into 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.

Mr. Simpson stated the need to discuss a litigation matter with Waste Pro.

Mayor Bass 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 into Executive Session.

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Mayor Bass made a motion to exit Executive Session and return to Open 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 returned to Open Session.

There was no action taken during Executive Session.

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K. Adjourn - At this time Mayor Hewes made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Gombos. 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 to adjourn passed.

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