

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
June 7, 2018

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on June 7, 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  
Mr. Kris Riemann, representing the City of Gulfport  
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  
Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director

AUDIENCE:

Mr. Jason Overstreet, A. Garner Russell & Associates  
Ms. Cindy Lamb, Pickering Firm  
Mr. Andy Phelan, Pickering Firm  
Mr. Bernie Parker, City of Long Beach  
Mr. Damon Torricelli, Neel Schaffer  
Mr. Bill Knesal, Knesal Engineering  
Mr. Tommy Thibodeaux, Pelican Waste  
Ms. Jenna Bennett, Waste Management  
Mr. Derrel Wilson, Utility Partners  
Mr. Bobby Portwood, HUB International

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.

## **A. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**

## **B. Public Comments**

Mayor McDermott opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments.

## **C. Approval of the Claims Docket dated June 8, 2018**

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated June 8, 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 claims docket is attached hereto as exhibit "B".

## **D. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated May 17, 2018**

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated May 17, 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

## **E. Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated May 30, 2018**

Mr. Gombos made a motion to spread on the minutes the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated May 30, 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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### **Motion to Amend the Agenda**

Mr. Scharr requested the agenda be amended to add the Renewal of 2018-2019 Insurance Rates as agenda item F. 2 e.

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to amend the agenda, 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. The agenda was amended.

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### **Old Business**

#### **F. 1 a – None**

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### **New Business**

#### **F. 2 a – Bayshore Pump Station Generator Project**

Mr. Gombos made a motion to authorize advertisement for the Bayshore Pump Station Generator Project, 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 "E".

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**F. 2 b – Draft Request for Qualifications for RPR (Inspection) Services**

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the Draft Request for Qualifications for RPR (Inspection) Services, 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "F".

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**F. 2 c – Proposed Modifications to Water Usage by Member Agencies**

Mr. Scharr recommended that the Water Usage Credits be eliminated to allow each member agency to utilize HCUA-produced water without any volume restrictions.

Supervisor Ladner made a motion to approve the Proposed Modifications to Water Usage by Member Agencies, 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 "G".

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**F. 2 d – S-14 Project Update**

Mr. Simpson requested this matter be taken up in Executive Session.

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**F. 2 e – Renewal of 2018-2019 Insurance Rates**

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the renewal of the 2018-2019 Insurance Rates, seconded by Mr. Riemann. 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 proposal is attached hereto as exhibit "H".

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**G. Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Scharr provided a report on several items.

The S20 ARV vent filter has been received and is expected to be installed today.

The West Fritz Creek Project – Mr. Simpson has mailed the documents for the easements and is awaiting their return.

Dogwood Hills – the transfer process is on-going. The water line at the Reserve at Carr Bridge is expected to be transferred within the next 30-60 days.

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Mr. Scharr requested the Pickering Permitting Contract for S-14 be spread on the meeting minutes.

Mayor Bass made a motion to spread the S-14 Permit Contract with Pickering Firm on the meeting minutes, 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 contractt is attached hereto as exhibit "I".

Mr. Scharr recognized Utility Partners for having both the North D'Iberville and Keegan Bayou plants nominated as finalists for the 2017 Plant of the Year award.

## H. Executive Session

Mayor Bass 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 entered Closed Session.

Mayor Bass 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 need to discuss litigation matters related to the S-14 project and a personnel matter.

Mayor Bass made a motion to enter Executive Session, seconded by Supervisor Ladner. 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. The Board entered Executive Session.

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Mayor Bass 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.

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Mr. Simpson requested the board authorize him and Mr. Scharr to proceed under the contract to begin the process to make demand on the contractor and their bonding company to get in compliance with the project, specifically to address the emergency with the Storm Water Permit violation.

Supervisor Middleton made a motion to authorize legal counsel and Mr. Scharr to proceed under the contract to begin the process to make demand on the contractor and their bonding company to get in compliance with the project, specifically to address the emergency with the Storm Water Permit violation, 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.

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Mr. Simpson stated a request has been made for an exception to the HCUA policy for Leave of Absence for an employee. The Board has granted that

exception to the policy to extend the leave of absence for the employee. Mr. Simpson requested a motion to spread this on the meeting minutes. Mr. Gombos made a motion to spread on the minutes the Board decision to grant an exception to the HCUA Leave of Absence Policy and extend the leave of absence for an employee, 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.

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**I. Adjourn** - At this time Mayor Bass made a motion to adjourn, 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 to adjourn passed.

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Angel K. Middleton  
Harrison County Utility Authority

  
George Bass  
Harrison County Utility Authority