

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
January 4, 2018

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on January 4, 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
Mayor Andrew "Fofa" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director
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

AUDIENCE:

Mr. Bruce Newton, Digital Engineering
Ms. Cindy Lamb, Pickering Engineering
Mr. Bernie Parker, City of Long Beach
Ms. Jenna Bennett, Team Waste
Ms. Colby Cantrell, Pelican Waste
Mr. Paul Foley, Michael Baker International
Mr. Charles Roberts, Pelican Waste
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 Board Meeting Minutes dated December 21, 2017

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated December 21, 2017, 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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D. Approval of Claims Docket dated January 5, 2018

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated January 5, 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".

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E. 1 a - Old Business

None.

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New Business

E. 2 a – S14 Project – Payment Application No. 12 – Jay Bearden Construction

Mr. Newton presented a payment application in the amount of \$55,480.00.

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve S14 Project – Payment Application No. 12 – Jay Bearden Construction, 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 payment application is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

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E. 2 b – Draft Ordinance for Service Disconnection

Mr. Scharr presented the Board with a draft ordinance for consideration. Mr. Steve Simpson requested the Board review the draft and submit comments and recommendations to be incorporated into the draft prior to the January 18, 2018 board meeting.

No action required. A copy of the memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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E. 2 c – Magnolia Springs Phase 6 – Preliminary Approval of Acceptance

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the Magnolia Springs Phase 6 – Preliminary Approval of Acceptance, seconded by Mayor Gilich. 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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Motion to Amend the Agenda

Mr. Gombos made a motion to amend the agenda, 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.

E. 2 d – Authorize Purchase of Pickup Truck for Solid Waste Program

Mayor Bass made a motion to Authorize Purchase of Pickup Truck for Solid Waste Program, 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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F. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Scharr advised the Board that he met with most of the technical committee members to determine how much of the engineering scope for the Environmental Study can be done by member agency staff. Those in attendance were Danny Boudreaux (Harrison County), Christy LeBatard (Biloxi), Kris Riemann (Gulfport),

and Al Gombos (D'Iberville), Derrel Wilson (Utility Partners), John Wilson (HCUA), and Donald Scharr (HCUA).

Mayor Hewes requested a breakdown of the cost savings and efficiencies. He also requested a list of tasks to be performed each by in-house staff and the third-party firm.

Mr. Scharr requested the Board concurrence on the scope of work.

Mr. Gombos suggested soliciting a proposal from a professional firm and then assess the in-house capabilities based on the submitted proposal.

No action taken.

Mayor Hewes inquired as to whether the member agencies are being billed two months in advance. He stated that public entities are prohibited from paying a bill until the charges have been incurred.

Mr. Scharr advised the HCUA staff will review the billing process and report back to the Board.

There was a discussion regarding potential revenues that will be generated by tying in D'Iberville High School.

The Board requested the minutes be researched to identify where Dr. Henry Arledge agreed that the school would tie-in once the system was completed.

Mr. Scharr stated all member agencies have ordinances that require connection to a public system if it is available. He suggested HCUA consider adopting a connection policy that is consistent with the member agencies' policies. He stated he will consult with legal counsel on the matter.

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K. Executive Session

There was no need for Executive Session.

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I. Adjourn - At this time Mr. Gombos made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Gilich. 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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