

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
March 5, 2020

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on March 5, 2020 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. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville  
Mayor Chipper McDermott, City of Pass Christian, Director  
Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director  
Mr. Bernie Parker, representing the City of Long Beach  
Mr. Mike Leonard, representing the City of Biloxi  
Ms. Jaclyn Turner, representing Harrison County (1)  
Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County (2), Director  
Mr. James Simpson, Wise Carter Attorneys, Esquire  
Mr. John Wilson, Executive Director, HCUA  
Ms. Patra Roberts, Office Manager, HCUA  
Ms. Cindy Breaux, Chief Financial Officer, HCUA  
Mr. Derek Bullock, Engineering Project Manager, HCUA

**ABSENT:**

Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director  
Mayor Andrew "Fofa" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director  
Mayor George Bass, City of Long Beach, Director

**AUDIENCE:**

Mr. Steve Day, Riverbend Utilities  
Mr. Andy Phelan, Pickering Firm  
Ms. Jenna Bass, Waste Management  
Mr. Jason Overstreet, Overstreet & Associates  
Mr. Shawn Wozencraft, Michael Baker International  
Mr. Rickey Hood, C & R Paving  
Mr. Dennis Stieffel, ASA  
Ms. Colby Cantrell, Pelican Waste  
Mr. Charles Roberts, Pelican Waste  
Mr. Derrel Wilson, Utility Partners  
Mr. Bobby Knesal, Utility Partners  
Mr. Larry Moxley, Utility Partners

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

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Authority, Mr. Gombos 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**

Mr. Gombos opened the floor for public comments.

Mayor McDermott expressed his thanks to all of the other member agencies for their collaborative efforts during the Mardi Gras season. He especially wanted to acknowledge the crew from Biloxi that assisted with the barricades.

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**C. Approval of the Claims Docket dated March 6, 2020**

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated March 6, 2020, 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 claims docket is attached hereto as exhibit "B".

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**D. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated February 20, 2020**

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated February 20, 2020, 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

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## Old Business

### E. 1 a – Revised Water & Sewer Service Policy

The item was tabled at the February 20, 2020 board meeting, to resolve the one-mile service jurisdiction.

Mr. Wilson and Mr. Simpson recommended the board approve the Water & Sewer Service Policy as presented and address the one-mile jurisdiction separately by resolution.

Mr. Gombos stated the item was previously tabled to address the one-mile jurisdiction. He requested the connection policy remained tabled until recommendations for the one-mile jurisdiction can be presented for consideration.

Legal counsel will work to present options to address the one-mile jurisdiction at the March 19, 2020 board meeting.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to table the Revised Water & Sewer Policy as presented, seconded by Supervisor Rockco. 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 service policy is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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## New Business

### **E. 2 a – S-14 Project – Option No. 3**

Mr. Wilson stated that he met with Supervisor Ladner and Supervisor Rockco to review the options to get the S-14 project online. The County approved funding for the Option 3 repairs.

Supervisor Rockco made a motion to approve S-14 Project – Option No. 3, seconded by Ms. Turner. 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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**Supervisor Rockco exited the meeting.**

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### **E. 2 b –Chlorine Booster Station Project Completion Status**

Mr. Wilson recommended proceeding with the proposed method to complete the project and get the station online.

Mr. Leonard made a motion to approve the Chlorine Booster Station Project Completion Status as presented, seconded by Ms. Turner. 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	absent
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion passed. A copy of the memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "F".



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**Supervisor Rockco returned to the meeting.**  
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**E. 2 c –Chlorine Booster Station Project Completion Status**

Mr. Wilson presented the Board with a status report on the FOG program.

Mr. Gombos noted that the technical committee has been reviewing this on a regular basis.

There was a discussion regarding enforcement efforts needing to be a collaborative effort between HCUA and the member agencies. Mr. Wilson also advised that he would be asking the Health Department to assist in the enforcement efforts.

No action required. A copy of the memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "G".  
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**H. Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Wilson provided updates on various county projects.

BP Project – The project is ongoing. The second progress meeting was held. The engineering is proceeding with preliminary design.

West Fritz Creek Phase II – project is to install sewer from the Windsong subdivision back to Florence Gardens. The project is on-going.

The Locust Pump Station – HCUA has contacted the third easement owner. The owner is out of town. A meeting will be scheduled to discuss the purchase of the easement in further detail.

Waste Management Leachate – Mr. Wilson advised that he has in been in discussion with Mr. Sam Williams to address leachate disposal and treatment.

North Gulfport Sand Filters & UV System – the existing disinfection system has reached its end of life. HCUA is seeking funding through MDEQ. Mr. Wilson has contacted Mr. Kris Riemann and Mr. Wayne Miller, from the City of Gulfport, to discuss a plan to move forward.  
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**I. Executive Session**

Mr. Simpson stated there was no need for Executive Session.

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**J. Adjourn** - At this time Mayor McDermott made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Hewes. 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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