

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
June 20, 2019

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on June 20, 2019 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  
Mayor Andrew "Fofa" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director  
Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville  
Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director  
Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County (2), Director  
Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director  
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

ABSENT:

AUDIENCE:

Ms. Cindy Lamb, Pickering Firm  
Mr. Andy Phelan, Pickering Firm  
Mr. Bernie Parker, City of Long Beach  
Ms. Brynn Joachim, The Focus Group  
Mr. Damon Torricelli, Neel-Schaffer  
Ms. Jenna Bennett, Waste Management  
Mr. Bobby Knesal, Utility Partners  
Mr. Derrel Wilson, Utility Partners  
Mr. Charles Roberts, Pelican Waste  
Ms. Colby Cantrell, Pelican Waste

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

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Authority, Mayor Bass 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 Bass opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments.

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**C. Approval of the Claims Docket dated June 21, 2019**

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated June 21, 2019, 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 claims docket is attached hereto as exhibit "B".

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**D. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated June 6, 2019**

Mr. Gombos made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated June 6, 2019, seconded by Mayor McDermott. 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 Meeting Minutes dated May 30, 2019**

Mr. Gombos made a motion to spread on the minutes the Technical Committee Meeting Minutes dated May 30, 2019, 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 meeting minutes is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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## **F. Financial Report**

Ms. Christian provided the board with a Financial Report as of May 31, 2019. Ms. Christian advised that a debt payment is due on July 1, 2019.

Mr. Gombos made a motion to accept the Financial Report, 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 report is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

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## **G. Marketing Report**

Ms. Joachim provided the board with a Monthly Marketing Summary.

Mayor Gilich made a motion to accept the Marketing Report, seconded by Mayor McDermott. 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 report is attached hereto as exhibit "F".

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## **H. Solid Waste Report**

Mr. Lane provided the board with a Solid Waste Report for the month of May. He reported the recycling participation rate is still around 30 percent.

No action required. A copy of the report is attached hereto as exhibit "G".

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## **Old Business**

### **I. 1 a – RFP for O & M Contract Services**

Mr. Scharr stated that since there was no action taken on the matter during the June 17, 2019 special meeting, no further action is needed at this time.

He reported that four companies had already viewed the RFP documents through Central Bidding.

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### **I 1 b 1 – S-14 Proposed Action Plan**

Item was set aside for discussion in Executive Session.

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### **I 1 b 2 – Request to Solicit Quotes for Debris Removal**

Item was set aside for discussion in Executive Session.

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### **I. 1 c - Solid Waste House Count**

Mr. Scharr requested approval of the 2019 House Count numbers as presented.

Supervisor Ladner requested Waste Management provide some confirmation of homes that have put garbage out within the last six months. Mr. Scharr stated that he would talk with Waste Management to discuss what additional information they can provide.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to table the Solid Waste House Count, 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "H".

## **New Business**

### **I. 2 a - Request to Advertise – Grounds Maintenance Services**

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve Request to Advertise for Grounds Maintenance Service, 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "I".

### **I. 2 b - Request to Advertise – Chemical Contract for CL2 & SO2**

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve West Fritz Creek Phase II Gravity Sewer Interceptor – RPR Services – Machado Patano (\$115,832), 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 memorandum is attached hereto as exhibit "J".

## **J. Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Scharr advised that he has spoken with the Covington Group regarding the BP grant. The grant award is expected within the next 30 – 60 days.

He advised budget developments are in-progress.

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## **K. Executive Session**

Mr. Simpson stated there was a need for Executive Session to discuss potential litigation related to the S-14 project.

Mayor McDermott made a motion to enter Executive Session, 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. The Board entered Executive Session.

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Mayor McDermott made a motion to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session, 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. The Board returned to Open Session.

No action taken during Executive Session.

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## **Motion**

Mr. Simpson requested board authorization to retain Neel-Schaffer, Inc. to perform forensic engineering to assist with plans to proceed on the S-14 project.

Mayor Hewes made a motion to authorizing retaining Neel-Schaffer for forensic engineering services on the S-14 Project, 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.

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**L. Adjourn** - At this time Mayor McDermott made a motion to adjourn, 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 to adjourn passed.

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