

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
September 3,2020

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on September 3, 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:

- Mayor Billy Hewes, City of Gulfport, Director
- Mayor Chipper McDermott, City of Pass Christian, Director
- Mayor Andrew "Fofu" Gilich, City of Biloxi, Director
- Mayor George Bass, City of Long Beach, Director
- Mr. Al Gombos, representing the City of D'Iberville
- Supervisor Marlin Ladner, Harrison County (1), Director
- Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County (2), Director
- Mr. John Wilson, Executive Director, HCUA
- Ms. Cindy Breaux, Chief Financial Officer, HCUA
- Ms. Sheila Marsh, Office Manager, HCUA
- Ms. Marie Ostrander, Financial Assistant, HCUA
- Mr. Derek Bullock, Project Engineer, HCUA
- Mr. Jim Simpson, Wise Carter, Attorneys and Esquire

ABSENT:

AUDIENCE:

No audience

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Authority, Mayor Hewes called the meeting to order. The following proceedings were had and done.



A. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance



Mayor Hewes addressed need for Amendment to Agenda, added item 2d Vacation of Abandonment of Permanent Easement.

Motion made by Mayor McDermott to Amendment to Agenda, added item 2d Vacation of Abandonment of Permanent Easement, seconded by Mayor Bass.

No discussion.

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 to amend agenda, added item 2d Vacation of Abandonment of Permanent Easement.

Mayor Hewes requested motion to adopt agenda as amended, added item 2d Vacation of Abandonment of Permanent Easement.

Supervisor Connie Rockco made motion to adopt agenda as amended, added item 2d Vacation of Abandonment of Permanent Easement, 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 to adopt agenda as amended, added item 2d Vacation of Abandonment of Permanent Easement.



B. Public Hearing for FY21 Budget

Mayor Hewes requested open the floor for Public Hearing for FY21 Budget and allow time for public comments or questions.

Motion made by Mayor McDermott to open floor for comments or questions from public on FY21Budget, seconded by Supervisor Connie 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

There were no public comments or questions. Web site was reviewed for comments or questions, none noted.

Motion made by Mayor FoFo Gilich to adopt Fiscal Year 2021 Budget, 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 Fiscal Year 2021 Budget is attached hereto as exhibit "B".



C. Public Comments

Mayor Hewes opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments.



D. Approval of the Claims Docket dated September 3, 2020

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated September 3, 2020, seconded by Mr. Al 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 "C".



E. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated August 20, 2020

Mayor Bass made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated August 20, 2020, seconded Mr. Al 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 meeting minutes dated August 20, 2020 is attached hereto as exhibit "D".



F. Action Items

F.1 Old Business

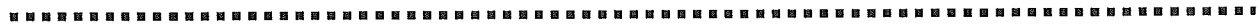
F.1.a. FY21 Budget - Approval

Mayor Hewes noted adoption and approval for FY21 Budget approved earlier during Public Hearing for FY21 Budget.

Mayor Gilich made a motion to approve FY21 Budget – Approval, seconded by Supervisor Connie 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 FY21 Budget – Approval is attached hereto as exhibit “B”.



F.2 New Business

F.2.a. Dogwood Hill – Dedication of Water Distribution System – Approval to Prepare Dedication Documents for System and Easement

John stated Dogwood Hill consist of 70 lots, currently 43 homes, and there is potential for development. John advised owner of Golf Course/Water System dedicated system “as is” to HCUA, water system and sewer system. John added system and lines have been verified to confirm location in easement. John requested to proceed with preparing dedication documents and return for approval.

Supervisor Marlin Ladner questioned why would not HCUA get well. John stated there are maintenance issues with old well, old pressure tank and HCUA does not want well. The w18 line can serve that was put in by CDBG.

Supervisor Marlin Ladner questioned the current owner’s plan for irrigation of Golf Course with the well. John stated the well will be disconnected from portable water system and transfer station will be a straight connection.

Supervisor Marlin Ladner questioned the (2) two-year return on the cost and John advised once connected we would be billing.

Supervisor Connie Rockco questioned the surrounding areas and opportunities for growth. John stated there is separate subdivision and we are on Reserve subdivision and once building started we would add to water and sewer system.

Mayor Bass questioned the size on lines. John stated 4” lines on majority and 8” lines on back end and fire hydrants would be installed at the entrance of the sub-divisions. Mayor Bass questioned if in future larger lines would be required. John stated there is no requirement by Health Department currently.

John stated there is a part of line at Golf Course we would have to cross but we have easement associated. Flow dead ends at cul-de-sacs and flow lines can be opened in event of complaints of overflow.

Supervisor Connie Rockco made a motion to approve authorization to prepare dedication documents for System and Easement for Dogwood Hill – Dedication of Water Distribution System, seconded by Supervisor Marlin 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 Dogwood Hill – Dedication of Water Distribution System – Approval to Prepare Dedication Documents for System and Easement is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

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F.2.b. Disinfection Liquid Chemical Bid – Approval to Advertise

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve Disinfection Liquid Chemical Bid – Approval to Advertise, 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 Disinfection Liquid Chemical Bid – Approval to Advertise, is attached hereto as exhibit "F".

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F.2.c. Odor Chemical Bid – Approval to Advertise

Mayor McDermott made a motion to approve Odor Chemical Bid – Approval to Advertise, 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 Odor Chemical Bid – Approval to Advertise is attached hereto as exhibit "G".

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F2d. Vacation of Abandonment of Permanent Easement-Garden Park

Added Agenda item

Mr. James Simpson, Counsel requested approval to vacate of abandonment of permanent easement - Garden Park Hospital. Mr. Simpson stated Garden Park is changing from one company to another and in the process of the title being verified, it indicates that when the building was built, the line went through the property and the line was moved but there never was clean up on vacated easement. Title Lawyers are requesting HCUA to release old easement because there is no use for old lines under the building. The Engineers at the City of Gulfport has verified there is no use for lines. Mr. Simpson added City Attorney of Long Beach is also making request for HCUA to release old easement.

Mayor Bass made motion to vacate and adopt Vacation of Abandonment of Permanent Easement-Garden Park, seconded by Mayor McDermott. A roll call 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 to adopt. A copy of the Vacation of Abandonment of Permanent Easement-Garden Park is attached hereto as exhibit "H".

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G. Executive Director's Report

John Wilson stated ratings for (4) water systems has been received from Health Department and ratings were high. John high ratings due to staff in field doing great job.

John stated AVL advised they will present Draft FY2190 Audit at next Board Meeting.

John advised no updates at this time regarding the Bond, it is ongoing. He is working with Mr. James Simpson, Counsel and will keep Board updated.

Mr. James Simpson, Counsel added that Ms. Lindsey Rea at Raymond James is searching for different options to best place the debt. One option is, place half debt may be placed in private placement which would be good financial sense. May be (2) two different bond issues, but they would be blended and cost would not be any worse.

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H. Executive Session

There was no need for Executive Session.

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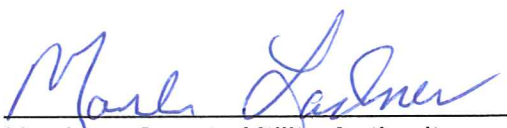
I. Adjourn – At this time Mayor McDermott made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Bass. A roll call vote resulted in the following votes:

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 to adjourn passed.

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