

HARRISON COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
May 16, 2024

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Harrison County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on May 16, 2024 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. Wayne Miller, Representing City of Gulfport
Mr. Malcolm Jones, Representing the City of Pass Christian
Mayor Andrew "Fofo" 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 Couty (1), Director
Ms. Jaclyn Turner, Representing Harrison County (2)
Mr. James Simpson, Wise Carter, Attorneys and Esquire
Ms. Cindy Breaux, Chief Financial Officer, HCUA,
Mr. Alan Lane, Solid Waste Manager, HCUA
Mr. Sam Broom, Engineering Construction Manager, HCUA
Ms. Marie Ostrander, Office Manager, HCUA
Mr. David Perkins, O&M Manager, HCUA

ABSENT:

Mr. John Wilson, Executive Director, HCUA

AUDIENCE:

Toni Martinez, The Focus Group
Jenna Case, The Focus Group
Kevin McCumby, H2O Innovation
Jamie Barnovich, Cypress E&I
Wade Boyce, Pelican Waste
Shea Magee, Waste Management
Sam Williams, Waste Management
Damon Torricelli, Neel-Schaffer

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

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Authority, Mayor George Bass, representing The City of Long Beach, 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 George Bass opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments.

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C. Approval of the Claims Docket dated May 16, 2024

There was an Addendum to the Claims Docket for a Capital Maintenance project (\$38,145.42) which need to be paid.

Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to approve the Claims Docket dated May 16, 2024, seconded by Supervisor Marlin Ladner. A vote resulted in the following:

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 May 2, 2024

Mayor Andrew "Fofu" Gilich made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated May 2, 2024, seconded by Supervisor Marlin Ladner. A vote resulted in the following:

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	abstained	

The motion passed. A copy of Board Meeting Minutes dated May 2, 2024, is attached hereto as exhibit "C".

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E. Financial Report

No action required. The Board accepted the April 2024 Financial Report.

A copy of the Financial Report for April 2024 is attached hereto as exhibit "D".

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F. Marketing Report

Ms. Toni Martinez of the Focus Group presented the Facebook and website stats. There was an increase of 233% in organic Facebook traffic impressions. There was also a increase in traffic on our website, with the most popular page being the Recycling page.

No action taken. The Board accepted the April 2024 Marketing Report as submitted by The Focus Group.

A copy of the Marketing Report is attached hereto as exhibit "E".

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There was a motion made by Supervisor Marlin Ladner to Spread on the Minutes side comments made by Board Members, seconded by May George Bass. A vote resulted in the following:

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

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G. Action Items

1. Old Business

NONE

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2. New Business

G2a. West Biloxi WWTF Generator Replacement Project - Close Out/ Final Pay Application/ Substantial Completion

Mayor Andrew "Fofu" Gilich made a motion to approve West Biloxi WWTF Generator Replacement Project - Close Out/ Final Pay Application/ Substantial Completion, seconded by Supervisor Marlin Ladner. A vote resulted in the following:

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 West Biloxi WWTF Generator Replacement Project - Close Out/ Final Pay Application/ Substantial Completion is attached hereto as exhibit "F".

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G2b. House Count – FY2025

Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to discuss House Count – FY2025, seconded by Supervisor Marlin Ladner. A vote resulted in the following:

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

Mr. Alan Lane explained that this is a two year House Count; there is an increase of 1,322 homes, the new count totaling 55,355.

Mr. Malcolm Jones asked how it was that the cities participate in the count, to which Mr. Alan Lane answered that we send each City a list of homes added and then they compare that to their current billing lists. This is a net number, meaning that homes that were demolished/abandoned/other wise destroyed are removed from the list and the total counts adjusted.

Mayor George Bass made a motion to approve House Count – FY2025, seconded by Mr. Al Gombos. A vote resulted in the following:

Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	abstained	
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 House Count – FY2025 is attached hereto as exhibit "G".

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G2c. FY25 Budget – Water Allocation

Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to table FY25 Budget – Water Allocation, seconded by Mr. Wayne Miller. A Roll Call vote resulted in the following:

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 FY25 Budget - Water Allocation is attached hereto as exhibit "H".

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G2d. FY24-26 Audit Services RFP – Approval to Advertise

Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to table FY24-26 Audit Services RFP – Approval to Advertise, seconded by Mr. Wayne Miller. A Roll Call vote resulted in the following:

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 FY24-26 Audit Services RFP – Approval to Advertise is attached hereto as exhibit “H”.

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H. Solid Waste Report

Mr. Alan Lane reported that the recycling participation rate is at 43.1%.

No action taken. A copy of the Solid Waste Report is attached hereto as exhibit “I”.

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I. Executive Director’s Report

None

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J. Executive Session

There was no need for Executive Session.

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K. Adjourn – At this time Mr. Al Gombos made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Marlin Ladner. A vote resulted in the following:

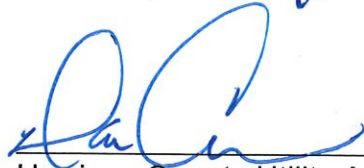
Biloxi	voted	aye
Gulfport	voted	aye
D’Iberville	voted	aye
Long Beach	voted	aye
Harrison County (1)	voted	aye
Harrison County (2)	voted	aye
Pass Christian	voted	aye

The motion to adjourn passed.

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