

MINUTES
HARRISON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
May 15, 2018

The regular May meeting of the Harrison County Development Commission was called to order at 8:17 am on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at Harrison County Development Commission, Gulfport, Mississippi.

Commissioners present: President Jimmy Levens, Brian Gollott, John Atherton, Sam LaRosa, Cliff Kirkland, Mark Schloegel, Frankie Castiglia, Sharon Bentz-Mustered (entered and exited as noted), Rip Daniels (via phone), Warren Conway (entered and exited as noted), Jennifer Burke, and Sam LaRosa. Commissioners absent: John "Shorty" Sneed.

Staff members present: Executive Director Bill Lavers, Dana Burdine, Marcia Crawford and Michelle Walker as recording secretary. Dr. Stephen Whitt, Executive Director with the Innovation Center was also present.

Consultants present: Legal Counsel Jim Simpson and Don Clark with DCC Consultants.

The media was notified of this meeting.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Levens called the meeting to order at this time.

II. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

Commissioner LaRosa made a motion to remove the April 26th meeting, adding Bill Lavers moving expense, Forestry/Forester update under old/new business and moving the Audit up from the end of the agenda, Metadyne project extension under Items requiring a vote and seconded by Commissioner Schloegel. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Cindy Lamb with Pickering Engineering, Judy Steckler with Land Trust, Robert Hopkins, Staci Argardi, Ron Milliet, Mike Guel and Charlene Kerkow with Wright, Ward, Hatten and Guel.

IV. MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Castiglia and seconded by Commissioner Burke to acknowledge receipt and approve the Board of Commissioners regular meeting minutes from April 17, 2018. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
(Commissioner Bentz-Mustered entered at this time)

V. Vote Items

- **Old Business Discussion – Wolf River**

Commissioner LaRosa made a motion to deed 100 ft easement from the Harrison County Development Commission to the Wolf River Conservation and to deed the property to Staci Argardi in the amount of \$36,000.00 and seconded by Commissioner Burke. Commissioner LaRosa, Burke, Bentz-Mustered and Schloegel voted yea. Commissioner Atherton, Kirkland, Castiglia, Gollott and Levens voted nah. Motion failed.

Commissioner Atherton made a motion sell the property to Staci Argardi in the amount of \$36,000.00 and as part of the sell agreement to set up the 100 ft easement to the Wolf River Conservation Society and survey at Staci Argardi's expense and when HCDC signs the deed simultaneous Argardi and Milliet both parties will sign the Wolf River Conservation easement and seconded by Commissioner Kirkland. Motion passes with a 9-1 affirmative vote. Commissioner Atherton, Kirkland, Castiglia, Burke, Gollott, Daniels, Bentz- Mustered, Schloegel and Levens voted yea. Commissioner LaRosa voted nah.

(Commissioner Conway entered at this time)

- **Audit**

Charlene Kerkow with Wright, Ward, Hatten and Guel gave an audit presentation. Commissioner LaRosa approved the audit as presented and seconded by Commissioner Atherton. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- **Finalize and approve MOU for FLC project in North Harrison Park**

Commissioner Castiglia made a motion to approve the MOU for FLC project in North Harrison Park and seconded by Commissioner Burke. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- **Land Sale 5.5 acres on Seaway Road for rental co from Jackson MS**

Land Sale 5.5 acres on Seaway Road has been tabled.

- **Approval proposal for submission to Composite Co.**

Bill Lavers sent a proposal to the Composite Company to lease a space at the Millionaire Hangar up to \$60,000.00 rent credit for up to 12 months until Mr. Lavers helps this Company find land. Commissioner Atherton approved the proposal Bill Lavers sent the Composite Company and seconded by Commissioner Conway. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- **Verizon**

Verizon has been tabled.

- **Metadyne Extension**

Commissioner Conway made a motion to approve the Metadyne extension to 2020 to hire 20 employees and seconded by Commissioner Burke. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

A. Finance

- **Operations Financial Statements for April 2018**
Commissioner LaRosa made the motion to approve all Operation statements for April 2018 and Commissioner Atherton seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **Utilities Financial Statements for April 2018**
Commissioner LaRosa made the motion to approve all Utility statements for April 2018 and Commissioner Atherton seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **Operations Claims for April 2018**
Commissioner LaRosa made a motion to approve all claims for Operations for April 2018 Commissioner Atherton seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **Utilities Claims for April 2018**
Commissioner LaRosa made the motion to approve all claims for Utilities for April 2018 and Commissioner Atherton seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
(Commissioner Conway and Bentz-Mustered exited at this time)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Marketing & Industrial

- **Forestry/Forester Update**
Don Clark gave an update on the Forestry.

Team Report

Team report was provided.

B. Innovation Center

Stephen Whitt provided a report on the current status of the Innovation Center.

C. Administrative, Engineering & Maintenance

VI. Directors Report

Bill Lavers provided a Directors Report and gave an update on paving Intraplex parkway.

VII. Old/New Business

○ **Bill Lavers contract moving expense**

To clarify the minutes to make clear that, as part of the negotiation and compensation to be offered to Bill Lavers, that HCDC would pay his moving expenses. Commissioner LaRosa made the motion and seconded by Commissioner Schloegel. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

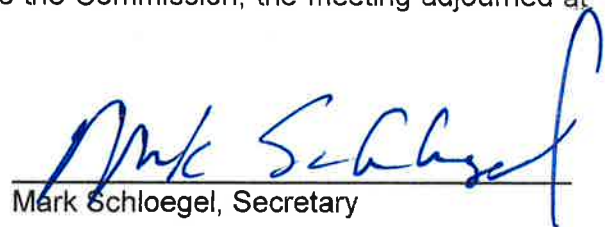
VIII. Legal

IX. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.



Jimmy Levens, President



Mark Schloegel, Secretary