

**MINUTES**  
**HARRISON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**  
**February 12, 2019**

The February regular meeting of the Harrison County Development Commission was called to order at 8:25 am on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at Harrison County Development Commission, Gulfport, Mississippi.

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

Staff members present: Executive Director Bill Lavers, Marcia Crawford, Barbara Rominger, Brandi Hough, Lori Frazier and Michelle Walker as recording secretary.

Consultants present: Legal Counsel Steve 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 Adjustment**

**Executive session under - Legal**

Commissioner Kirkland made a motion to approve going into Executive session and seconded by Commissioner Schloegel. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

**Dredging project under - Administrative, Engineering & Maintenance**

Commissioner Schloegel made a motion to discuss the dredging project under Engineering and seconded by Commissioner Kirkland. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

**III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Bob Esher with T. Baker Smith and Dax Alexander with Brown, Mitchell, & Alexander Inc.

**IV. MEETING MINUTES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Kirkland to approve the January 15, 2019 meeting minutes and to make the correction in the Mike Holmes lease \$14,400.00 a year lease and approve the minutes as corrected and seconded by Commissioner Schloegel. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

**V. Vote Items**

• **Water/Sewer Rate Increase**

Commissioner Kirkland made a motion to approve the water/sewer rate increase by 6.8% and strike out the and in the resolution and seconded by Commissioner Gollott. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- **Wolf River**  
Commissioner Levens gave an update on Wolf River.
- **Auto Bids**  
Commissioner Kirkland made a motion to take the auto bids under advisement for review and bring to the next Commission meeting and seconded by Commissioner Gollott. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

**A. Finance (Sneed, Chairman)**

- **Operations Financial Statements for January 2019**  
Commissioner Sneed made a motion to approve the January 2019 Operation financial statements and seconded by Commissioner LaRosa. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **Utilities Financial Statements for January 2019**  
Commissioner Sneed made a motion to approve the January 2019 Utility financial statements and seconded by Commissioner LaRosa. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **Operations Claims for January 2019**  
Commissioner Sneed made a motion to approve all claims for Operations for January 2019 Commissioner Kirkland seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **Utilities Claims for January 2019**  
Commissioner Sneed made the motion to approve all claims for Utilities for January 2019 and Commissioner Kirkland seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Marketing & Industrial**

**Team Reports**

Team Reports was provided.

**B. Innovation Center**

Stephen Whitt gave an update on the status of the Innovation Center.

- **Update on Subcommittee Activity**

Bill Lavers and Commissioner Kirkland gave an update on subcommittee activity.

**C. Administrative, Engineering & Maintenance**

- **LBIP STP/HCUA/Vigil**  
Commissioner Sneed made a motion to hire Virgil Gillespie to (represent the LBIP STP/HCUA) and seconded by Commissioner Schloegel. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **Wayfinding**  
Bill Lavers gave an update on Wayfinding.  
*(Bentz-Mustered exited at this time)*
- **Dredge Project**  
Don Clark and Dax Alexander gave an update on the dredge project. After discussion the change order was not approved.

**VI. Directors Report**

Bill Lavers provided a Directors Report.

**VII. Old/New Business**

- **Executive Session**  
Commissioner Sneed made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss land sale and personnel and seconded by Commissioner Gollott. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Entered into Executive Session 9:35 a.m.

Exited Executive Session 10:00 a.m.


No action taken.

**VIII. Announcements/Notices**

**IX. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

  
Jimmy Levens, President

  
Mark Schloegel, Secretary