

MINUTES
HARRISON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
January 12, 2021

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Harrison County Development Commission was called to order at 8:40 am on Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at Harrison County Development Commission, Gulfport, Mississippi.

The Commissioners present were: President Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Windy Swetman, and John "Shorty" Sneed. Via phone conference: Rip Daniels, Warren Conway, and Jennifer Burke.

Commissioners Absent: Mike Leonard and Sharon Bentz.

The staff members present were: Executive Director Bill Lavers, Gia Blackwell, Lori Frazier, Brandi Hough, Marcia Crawford, Payton McQuillan and Michelle McGraw as recording secretary.

Consultants present: Legal Counsel Jim Simpson.

The media was notified of this meeting via the Sun Herald and our <http://mscoast.org> website.

I. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE – OPEN MEETING & CALL TO ORDER

After the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance, President Frankie Castiglia opened the meeting and called to order at this time, and acknowledged the public notice was given.

II. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

NA

III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Bald Eagle Developments – Jacque Pucheu, Will Symmes, and Jodi Braxton, and Bruce Strain. Cindy Lamb from Pickering Firm, Inc and Dr. Moby Solangi Executive Director of IMMS.

IV. MEETING MINUTES

The motion was made by Commissioner Mike Leonard to approve the minutes for December 17, 2020, of the regularly called meeting and it was seconded by Commissioner Mark Schloegel. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed and the motion carried.

V. *Vote Items*

Resolution – Bald Eagle Development East Side Land Sale \$500,000.00

The motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Levens to approve and adopt the resolution; it was seconded by Commissioner Windy Swetman.

There was no further discussion, a roll call was taken and the motion passed with the affirmative vote of the Commissioners as follows:

Yeas: 9 - President Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Windy Swetman, and John "Shorty" Sneed, via phone conference, Rip Daniels, Jennifer Burke, and Warren Conway.

Nays: 0

Resolution – Lease Proposal by Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Railroad, LLC.

The motion was made by Commissioner Mark Schloegel to approve and adopt the resolution and allow the lease to be finalized by Executive Director Bill Lavers and Jim Simpson; it was seconded by Commissioner John "Shorty" Sneed.

There was no further discussion, a roll call was taken and the motion passed with the affirmative vote of the Commissioners as follows:

Yeas: 9 - President Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Windy Swetman, and John "Shorty" Sneed, via phone conference, Rip Daniels, Jennifer Burke, and Warren Conway.

Nays: 0

• **Finance**

Commissioner Jennifer Burke made a motion to approve Exhibit D & E; it was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Levens. No further discussion took place, all in favor of Ayes and the motion carried.

CD Renewal - Commissioner Jennifer Burke made a motion to keep the CD with Citizens Bank; it was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Levens. No further discussion took place, all in favor of Ayes and 1 abstained. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

A. Marketing & Industrial

Land Sale Policy – For the minutes and policy book record, the following Land Sale Policy was updated and approved April 2018. (The policy page updated is attached.)

The motion was made by Commissioner John "Shorty" Sneed to approve the Land Sale Policy Page that was updated for the minutes, it was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Levens. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed and the motion carried.

\$20,000.00 Marketing Budget for Seaforce - Commissioner Windy Swetman made a motion to approve the \$20,000.00 budget for Seaforce to come out of payroll from Marketing: it was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Levens. No further discussion took place, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

B. Administrative, Engineering & Maintenance

- Acknowledgement was given by the board the notice was mailed and emailed to all water and sewer customers regarding the rate increase as of Jan 1, 2021.

VI. Directors Report

Bill Lavers gave his report.

Marcia Crawford gave her report.

No discussion took place.

VII. Old/New Business

Re-Elect Officers and Chair of Marketing and Engineering Committee.

VIII. Legal

IX. Announcements/Notices

Next Board of Commission Meeting: January 12, 2021 @ 8:15 a.m.

- Next Engineering and Marketing Committee Meeting Jan 4, 2021, 4:00 p. m.
- Next Engineering Committee Meeting Jan 5, 2021, 8:30 a.m.

X. ADJOURN

The meeting was recessed @ 9:50 am subject to call. There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Jimmy Levens made a motion to

adjourn and it was seconded by Commissioner Brian Gollott and adjourned at 11:40 am on January 12, 2021.



Frankie Castiglia Jr., President



John Sneed, Secretary