

MINUTES

HARRISON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

October 12, 2021

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Harrison County Development Commission was called to order at 8:24 a.m. on Tuesday, October 12th, 2021, at Harrison County Development Commission, Gulfport, Mississippi.

The Commissioners present were: President Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Brian Gollott, James Moody, Windy Swetman, Mark Schloegel, and John Sneed. Via phone conference: Rip Daniels, Jennifer Burke, and Mike Leonard.

Commissioners Absent: John Carter and Warren Conway.

The staff members present were: Executive Director Bill Lavers, Zach Grady, and Michelle McGraw as recording secretary. Via phone: Marcia Crawford and Lori Frazier.

Consultant's 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 at 8:24 a.m. and called to order at this time, and acknowledged the public notice.

II. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

No agenda adjustments.

III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

N/A

IV. MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve the September 14th, 2021 minutes for the regularly called meeting. Commissioner James Moody seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed and the motion carried.

V. Vote Items

Resolution Krause Lease Purchase 1.6 acres

Commissioner Windy Swetman made the motion to approve and adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Mike Leonard seconded it. There was no further discussion, a roll call took place, and the motion passed with the affirmative vote of the Commissioners as follows:

Yeas: 9 President Frankie Castiglia, Shorty Sneed, Jimmy Levens, Brian Gollott, James Moody, Windy Swetman, and Mike Leonard. Via phone conference: Mark Schloegel and Rip Daniels.

Nays: none

Resolution Krause Berth and Property Lease .66acres

Commissioner John Sneed made the motion to approve and adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Rip Daniels seconded it. There was no further discussion, a roll call took place, and the motion passed with the affirmative vote of the Commissioners as follows:

Yeas: 9 President Frankie Castiglia, Shorty Sneed, Jimmy Levens, Brian Gollott, James Moody, Windy Swetman, and Mike Leonard. Via phone conference: Mark Schloegel and Rip Daniels.

Nays: none

Resolution Little G Enterprise Purchase 1.95 acres

Commissioner Jimmy Levens made the motion to approve and adopt the Resolution. Commissioner James Moody seconded it. There was no further discussion, a roll call took place, and the motion passed with the affirmative vote of the Commissioners as follows:

Yeas: 9 President Frankie Castiglia, Shorty Sneed, Jimmy Levens, Brian Gollott, James Moody, Windy Swetman, and Mike Leonard. Via phone conference: Mark Schloegel and Rip Daniels.

Nays: none

Resolution Jeck Quality Homes to exercise purchase option and deed approval

Commissioner Jimmy Levens made the motion to approve and adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Mike Leonard seconded it. There was no further discussion, a roll call took place, and the motion passed with the affirmative vote of the Commissioners as follows:

Yeas: 9 President Frankie Castiglia, Shorty Sneed, Jimmy Levens, Brian Gollott, James Moody, Windy Swetman, and Mike Leonard. Via phone conference: Mark Schloegel and Rip Daniels.

Nays: none

Resolution John Fayard Special Warranty Deed Correction

Commissioner Jimmy Levens made the motion to approve and adopt the Resolution. Commissioner Mike Leonard seconded it. There was no further discussion after a roll call took place, and the motion passed with the affirmative vote of the Commissioners as follows:

Yeas: 9 President Frankie Castiglia, Shorty Sneed, Jimmy Levens, Brian Gollott, James Moody, Windy Swetman, and Mike Leonard. Via phone conference: Mark Schloegel and Rip Daniels.

Nays: none

Finance

Commissioner John Sneed made a motion to approve Exhibits G, and H. Commissioner Mike Leonard seconded it. No further discussion took place, all Commissioners voted in favor and the motion carried.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

A. Marketing & Industrial

State of the County November 9, 2021 – Flyer and announcement.

Kings Forge Steele requested to terminate the lease-purchase agreement - After discussion, the board agreed to cancel the deal.

FL Crane extension request – After discussion, the board declined the request for extension.

Project SRT – Rail facility meeting coming up and more updates to come.

Project Deep – Bill Lavers gave an update on relocation to the area.

Project Deliver – Bill Lavers said it's a work in progress and going well.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

B. Administrative, Engineering & Maintenance

5% Increase letter for water and sewer rates for all customers will be mailed.

Follow up on the request for funds from the BOS to upgrade the water and sewer system in the industrial parks.

Bid Updates

NA

Executive Session: NA

VI. Directors Report

Bill Lavers, Executive Director, presented his report.

Marcia Crawford, Director of Marketing & Relocation, presented her report.

Brandi Hough, Director of Business Development, presented her report.

VII. Old & New Business

The water and Sewer team added two new employees.

VIII. Legal

IX. Announcements/Notices

- **Next Board of Commission Meeting November 16, 2021 @ 8:15 a.m.**
- **Next Marketing & Engineering meeting October 26, 2021 @ 8:15 a.m.**
- **State of the County featuring Beverly Martin, November 9, IP Casino Resort and Spa / 3rd flr. Ballrooms, doors open at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast. The HCDC has two reserved tables.**

X. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Jimmy Levens made a motion to adjourn, and Commissioner Mike Leonard seconded it. The meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m. on October 12, 2021.



Frank Castiglia Jr., President



John "Shorty" Sneed, Secretary