# MINUTES HARRISON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION April 12, 2022

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Harrison County Development Commission was called to order at 8:20 a.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at Harrison County Development Commission, Gulfport, Mississippi.

The Commissioners present were: Jimmy Levens, Frankie Castiglia, Mark Schloegel, Brian Gollott, Windy Swetman, Billy Thornton, and James Moody.

Present via Zoom: John Carter.

Commissioners Absent: Rip Daniels, Warren Conway, Mike Leonard, and Jennifer Burke.

The staff members present were: Executive Director Bill Lavers, Jason Gibson, Brandi Hough, Lori Frazier, and Michelle McGraw as recording secretary.

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, a quorum was established. President Frankie Castiglia opened the meeting at 8:20 a.m. and called to order at this time, and acknowledged the public notice.

# **II. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS**

Letter from the GSA declining the location on Corporate Court. Commissioner's Workshop event.

Commissioner James Moody made the motion to accept the agenda adjustments, and Commissioner Jimmy Levens seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

#### **III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

RJ Young did a presentation on their 4 K Board.

# IV. MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner James Moody motioned to approve the March 15, 2022, minutes for the regularly called meeting, and Commissioner John Carter seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

# V. VOTE ITEMS

# SRT Rail Rehabilitation Project Bid

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to award TL Wallace because the other bids did not comply or have the out-of-state affidavit, and Commissioner Windy Swetman seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

# Lease expenditure

After discussion, the lease expenditure was tabled.

### **JE Borries Contract**

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve as long as payment is the same contractor, and Commissioner Brian Gollott seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

# Website revamp cost

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve the proposal of \$18,090.00 to update and revamp our website with Trone. Commissioner James Moody seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

# Freeport Warehouse License Application for SRS Distribution

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to recommend to the BOS for approval since they meet state law guidelines, and Commissioner Brian Gollott 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: 8 Jimmy Levens, Frankie Castiglia, John Carter, Mark Schloegel, Brian Gollott, Windy Swetman, Billy Thornton, John Carter, and James Moody.

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#### Finance

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve Exhibit G & H, and Commissioner James Moody seconded it. No further discussion occurred, all Commissioners voted in favor, and the motion passed.

#### **COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES**

# A. Marketing & Industrial

Inventory Surplus for battery backups

Commissioner James Moody motioned to approve the inventory surplus, and Commissioner Windy Swetman seconded it. No further discussion occurred, all Commissioners voted in favor, and the motion passed.

#### **COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES**

# B. Administrative, Engineering & Maintenance

Corps. Permits came for the Fed Ex project and Seaway Rd.

Jason Gibson reported plans for the loop in the water source for Mississippi Power are complete, and permits are done. The project is ready to bid.

# **Bid Updates**

NA

#### VI. DIRECTORS REPORT

Director of Marketing Report
Director of Business Development Report

# **VII. OLD & NEW BUSINESS**

Bill Lavers reported the letter from GSA did not approve the lot on Corporate Court but found a lot on Logan Cline. GSA contacted realtors and three other companies to help locate existing properties and could not find any. They have decided to purchase land on Logan Cline and build. Jim Simpson stated the road needs to be a public road, and he talked to the City of Gulfport to resolve the issue.

Commissioner's Workshop is on May 5, 2022, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

FL Crane's grand opening is June 9, 2022.

# VIII. LEGAL

NA

# IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS/NOTICES

- Next Board of Commission Meeting Tuesday, May 10, 2022, @ 8:15 a.m.
- Next Marketing & Engineering meeting Wednesday April 28, 2022, @ 9:15 a.m.

# X. ADJOURN

There was no further business to come before the Commission. Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to adjourn, and Commissioner Billy Thornton seconded it. The meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m. on April 12, 2022.

Windy Swetman III, Secretary