

**MINUTES**  
**HARRISON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**  
**October 26, 2022**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Harrison County Development Commission was called to order at 8:27 am on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at Harrison County Development Commission, Gulfport, Mississippi.

The Commissioners present were: Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Billy Thornton, Brian Gollott, Windy Swetman, Mike Leonard, Mark Schloegel, Ollie Bailey Jr., Rip Daniels, John Carter, and James Moody.

Commissioners Absent: Warren Conway.

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

Consultant's present: Legal Counsel Jim Simpson.

The media was notified of this meeting via the <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 8:29 am, called to order at this time, and acknowledged the public notice.

**II. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS**

Request to form a nominating committee for next year's officers.

**III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

No guests were present.

**IV. MEETING MINUTES**

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve the September 13, 2022, minutes for the regularly called meeting, and Commissioner Windy Swetman seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

**Delta Industries Berth and Property Lease.**

**Delta Industries Lease Purchase Option.**

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve, as discussed in the marketing committee, and for Bill Lavers to continue the negotiations on the lease and lease option. Commissioner Ollie Bailey seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

**Paul & Courtney Paolillo Purchase Offer 3 acres LB for medical cannabis facility.**

Commissioner Brian Gollott motioned to approve the Resolution, and Commissioner Jimmy Levens 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 Jimmy Levens, Frankie Castiglia, Mark Schloegel, Brian Gollott, Windy Swetman, Mike Leonard, James Moody, John Carter, and Ollie Bailey.

Nays: 0

There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

**Bitmit Company Limited Lease Option.**

The customer has requested more time for due diligence, so we will continue to work on it.

**S & J Leasing Lease Purchase Option 2.445 acres Long Beach.**

Commissioner Windy Swetman motioned to approve the Resolution, and Commissioner Jimmy Levens 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 Jimmy Levens, Frankie Castiglia, Mark Schloegel, Brian Gollott, Windy Swetman, Mike Leonard, James Moody, John Carter, and Ollie Bailey.

Nays: 0

There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

**Insurance Renewals.**

We will present next month.

**Finance**

Commissioner James Moody motioned to approve exhibits E and F, and Commissioner Ollie Bailey seconded it. No further discussion occurred, all Commissioners voted in favor, and the motion passed.

**COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES**

**A. Marketing & Industrial**

HCDC website update. - Marcia Crawford reported it is completed.

MDA Site Development Grant Submission –

Year-end budget updates.

## **COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES**

### **B. Administrative, Engineering & Maintenance**

Bid for Generators with MEMA Grant.

Water and Sewer Policy - Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve the updated policy changes, and Commission Windy Swetman seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

Lift Station 2 in LB has been rebuilt.

The HCDC's Engineering Teams successes and highlights.

Public hearing November 17<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm to amend Code 2000 section 413.07 I, Site requirements in Industrial Districts. (PZ meeting)

### **Bid Updates**

Rail Bid Award. – Commissioner Windy Swetman motioned to accept the lowest bid, and Commissioner Jimmy Levens 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 Jimmy Levens, Frankie Castiglia, Mark Schloegel, Brian Gollott, Windy Swetman, Mike Leonard, James Moody, John Carter, and Ollie Bailey.

Nays: 0

There was no discussion, all in favor of Ayed, and the motion carried.

We will be bidding for generators with the MEMA Grant.

## **VI. DIRECTORS REPORT**

Director of Marketing Report

## **VII. OLD & NEW BUSINESS**

Seaway Business Center MOU.

## **VIII. LEGAL**

NA

**IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS/NOTICES**


The Next Board of Commission Meeting November 15, 2022, @ 8:15 am.

The Next Marketing & Engineering meeting is on November 9, 2022, @ 8:15 am.

**X. ADJOURN**

There was no further business to come before the Commission. Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to adjourn, and Commissioner Windy Swetman seconded it. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 am on October 26, 2022.

  
Frank Castiglia Jr., President

  
Windy Swetman III, Secretary