

**MINUTES
HARRISON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
July 26, 2023**

A regularly called meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at 1:08 pm at the Harrison County Development Commission, Gulfport, Mississippi.

The Commissioners present were Billy Thornton, Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Rip Daniels, Mike Leonard, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Ollie Bailey Jr., Warren Conway, and James Moody.

Commissioners Absent: John Carter and Windy Swetman.

The staff members present were: Executive Director Bill Lavers, Marcia Crawford, Brandi Hough, Pamela Washington, and Michelle McGraw as recording secretary.

Consultant 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, Vice President James Moody opened the meeting at 1:08 pm, called to order at this time, and acknowledged the public notice.

II. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

Resolution Approving the Trey Moore PSA moved down the agenda since not enough members were present for a vote.

Commissioner Frankie Castiglia Jr. motioned to approve adding the agenda adjustments, and Commissioner Jimmy Levens. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

IV. MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Ollie Bailey Jr. motioned to approve June 21, 2023, minutes for the regularly called meeting, and Commissioner Frankie Castiglia Jr. seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

CD Renewal Quotes

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve Citizen Bank at 4.55% with the option after the rate hike on July 27, 2023, to change based on who has the highest rate increases.

Commissioner Brian Gollott seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

Resolution Trey Moore PSA 6.52 acres Long

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve, and Commissioner Frankie Castiglia Jr. 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: 10 Billy Thornton, Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Rip Daniels, Mike Leonard, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Ollie Bailey Jr., Warren Conway, and James Moody.

Nays: 0

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

Grant Agreement MDOT Rail

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve, and Commissioner Ollie Bailey Jr. seconded it.

There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried. There was no further discussion, a roll call took place, and the motion passed with the affirmative vote of the Commissioners as follows:

Yeas: 10 Billy Thornton, Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Rip Daniels, Mike Leonard, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Ollie Bailey Jr., Warren Conway, and James Moody.

Nays: 0

Consultant Proposal 6-month Agreement

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve, and Commissioner Ollie Bailey Jr. seconded it.

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

Bid Award Annual Sludge Haul 7 Sewer Cleaning Agreement

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve, and Commissioner Brian Gollott seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

Water and Sewer Policy update

Commissioner Billy Thornton motioned to approve, and Commissioner Frankie Castiglia Jr. seconded it.

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

Credit to Sewer #HC104304 and #HC109201

Commissioner Billy Thornton motioned to approve, and Commissioner Frankie Castiglia Jr. seconded it.

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

Finance

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve exhibits I and K, and Commissioner Ollie Bailey Jr. seconded it. No further discussion occurred, all Commissioners voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Letter to Rock Island to commence.

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve Bill Lavers to send the letter Jim Simpson drafted to Rock Island. Commissioner Mark Schloegel seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

Finance

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

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

A. Marketing & Industrial (Schloegel, Chairman)

Bill Lavers gave updates on the current project list.

September 13, 2023, Buc-ee's groundbreaking ceremony.

The 12-month Consultant Support Services Proposal will be negotiated to a 6-month agreement.

Commissioner Frankie Castiglia Jr. motioned to approve the negotiated agreement, and Commissioner Warrant Conway seconded it. No further discussion occurred, all Commissioners voted in favor, and the motion passed.

B. Administrative, Engineering & Maintenance (Levens, Chairman)

Notice of Public Bid Seaway L.R. Prj34-03

VII. OLD & NEW BUSINESS

BOS approved Addendum 3 Larry Blumberg & Associates.

BOS approved Bid for Commercial Electric of Long Beach Inc.

BOS approved a Freeport Warehouse License to Operate to Eurpac Services Inc.

Purchase a Dodge truck as approved in the minutes on April 13, 2021.
August 3 is the Bulkhead discussion with Stephanie from Gulf Ship and Machado.

VIII. LEGAL

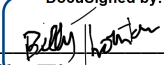
IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS/NOTICES

The Next Marketing & Engineering meeting is **on Wednesday, August 2, 2023, @ 8:30 am.**

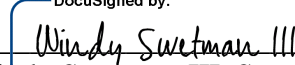
The Next Board of Commission Meeting is **on Wednesday, August 23, 2023, @ 1:00 pm.**

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 1:57 pm on July 26, 2023.

DocuSigned by:


Billy Thornton, President

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Windy Sweetman III, Secretary