

MINUTES
HARRISON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
October 25, 2016

The regular October meeting of the Harrison County Development Commission was called to order at 8:30 am on Tuesday September 20, 2016 in the Conference Room of the Harrison County Development Commission located at 12281 Intraplex Parkway, Gulfport, Mississippi.

Commissioners present: President Mark Schloegel, Jennifer Burke (*exited as noted*), Frankie Castiglia, Sam LaRosa, Cliff Kirkland, Brian Gollott, John "Shorty" Sneed, Warren Conway (*entered as noted*), Sharon Bentz-Mustered and Jimmy Levens. Commissioners absent: Rip Daniels and John Atherton.

Staff members present: Executive Director Bill Hessell, Paula Delcambre, Wade Jones, Dana Burdine, Marcia Crawford and Michelle Walker as recording secretary.

Consultants present: Legal Counsel Russ Nobile and Don Clark with DCC Consultants.

The media was notified of this meeting.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Schloegel called the meeting to order at this time.

II. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

Add MOU for Gericare and discuss improvements.

III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Cindy Lamb and Andy Phelan with Pickering Engineering, Lindsay Ward with SMPDD, Jason Goldin and Scott Goldin with Goldin Metals.

IV. MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Castiglia and seconded by Commissioner Levens to acknowledge receipt and approve the Board of Commissioners regular meeting minutes from September 20, 2016. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

V. VOTE ITEMS

- **Goldin Metals Freeport Warehouse Tax Exemption**
Staff made a recommendation to grant Goldin Metals Freeport warehouse tax exemption. Commissioner Castiglia made a motion to approve staff's recommendation and seconded by Commissioner Burke. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Sneed wanted to spread on the minutes an example of other County's provided. Lee County providing property tax breaks worth a projected \$800,000 over 10 years.

- **Gericare**

Bill Hessel gave an update on the MOU with Gericare the DIP grant was approved by the MDA and Board of Supervisors. Staff made a recommendation to amend the MOU and ratify the \$465,000 that Gericare will contribute to HCDC. Commissioner Kirkland made a motion to approve staff's recommendation and seconded by Commissioner Sneed. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
(Commissioner Conway entered at this time)

Staff made a recommendation to approve the Gericare contract and Landshapers was the lowest bidder at \$685,000. Commissioner Burke made a motion to approve staff's recommendation for the contract upon legal review and seconded by Commissioner Levens. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Marketing & Industrial

- **Crusin the Coast Report**

Marcia Crawford gave an update on Crusin the Coast.

B. Innovation Center

Stephen Whitt provided a report on the current status of the Innovation Center.

C. Administrative, Engineering & Maintenance

- **Update on Chemours Freeport Warehouse Tax Exemption**

Brandi Hough and Commissioner Levens gave an update on Chemours Freeport warehouse tax exemption.

- **Pickering Report on Water/Sewer**

Andy Phelan gave an update on water/sewer report.

D. Finance

- **Operations Financial Statements for September 2016**

Commissioner LaRosa made the motion to approve all Operation statements for September 2016 and Commissioner Castiglia seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- **Utilities Financial Statements for September 2016**

Commissioner LaRosa made the motion to approve all Utility statements for September 2016 and Commissioner Castiglia seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

- **Operations Claims for September 2016**
Commissioner LaRosa made a motion to approve all claims for Operations for September 2016 and Commissioner Sneed seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **Utilities Claims for September 2016**
Commissioner LaRosa made the motion to approve all claims for Utilities for September 2016 and Commissioner Sneed seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
(Commissioner Burke exited at this time)

VI. Directors Report

- Bill Hessel provided a director's report.
- **Wade Jones Marketing Report**
Commissioner Castiglia made a motion to consider going into Executive Session to discuss a prospect and seconded by Commissioner Conway. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Castiglia made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a prospect and seconded by Commissioner Conway. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Entered into Executive Session 9:55.

Exited Executive Session 10:05.

No action taken.

VII. Old/New Business

VIII. Legal

IX. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 am.



Mark Schloegel, President



John "Shorty" Sneed, Secretary