

**MINUTES
HARRISON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
August 23, 2023**

A regularly called meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, August 23, 2023, at 1:05 p.m. at the Harrison County Development Commission, Gulfport, Mississippi.

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

Commissioner's Absent: Billy Thornton.

The staff members present were Executive Director Bill Lavers, Marcia Crawford, Brandi Hough, Pamela Washington, Lori Frazier 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.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE – OPEN MEETING & CALL TO ORDER

After the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, Vice President James Moody opened the meeting at 1:05 p.m., called to order at this time, and acknowledged the public notice.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

JE Talley Construction Dredge Contract
Commissioner Frankie Castiglia Jr. motioned to table this since the vendor had yet to sign, and Commissioner Brian Gollott. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Courtney Dunbar

MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve **the July 26, 2023, minutes** for the regularly called meeting and the **August 2, 2023, Special Called minutes**, which Commissioner John Carter seconded. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

VOTE ITEMS

2023 Amended Budget

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve the Amended Budget, and Commissioner James Moody seconded it. There was no discussion, all in favor of Aye, and the motion carried.

Resolution Well #2 Quote for Repairs

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve, and Commissioner John Carter 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: 11 Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Rip Daniels, Mike Leonard, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Ollie Bailey Jr., Warren Conway, James Moody, John Carter, and Windy Swetman.

Nays: 0

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

Resolution Bid Award to Continental Rail FEB Rail Expansion Project

Commissioner Mark Schloegel motioned to approve, and Commissioner Ollie Bailey 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: 11 Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Rip Daniels, Mike Leonard, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Ollie Bailey Jr., Warren Conway, James Moody, John Carter, and Windy Swetman.

Nays: 0

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

Resolution Bid Award to Continental Rail Seaway Lead Restoration Project

Commissioner Warren Conway motioned to approve, and Commissioner John Carter 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: 11 Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Rip Daniels, Mike Leonard, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Ollie Bailey Jr., Warren Conway, James Moody, John Carter, and Windy Swetman.

Nays: 0

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

Resolution Grant Application to the Mississippi Department of Marine GOMESA Funding

Commissioner Frankie Castiglia motioned to approve, and Commissioner John Carter 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: 11 Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Rip Daniels, Mike Leonard, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Ollie Bailey Jr., Warren Conway, James Moody, John Carter, and Windy Swetman.

Nays: 0

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

Resolution Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Program

Commissioner John Carter motioned to approve, 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: 11 Frankie Castiglia, Jimmy Levens, Rip Daniels, Mike Leonard, Brian Gollott, Mark Schloegel, Ollie Bailey Jr., Warren Conway, James Moody, John Carter and Windy Swetman.

Nays: 0

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

Finance

Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to approve exhibits J and K, and Commissioner Ollie Bailey Jr. 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.

The City Council approved the BRIC Award.

Buc-ee's groundbreaking invitation on September 13.

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

5% Water and Sewer Annual Rate Increase Letter. Commissioner Frankie Castiglia Jr. motioned to approve a 5% increase, and Commissioner Brian Gollott seconded it. No further discussion occurred; all Commissioners voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Bulkhead – Machado release notice.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

The speed limit in the industrial parks is 30 mph.

LEGAL


ANNOUNCEMENTS/NOTICES

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

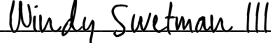
The Next Board of Commission Meeting is **on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, @ 1:00 p.m.**

ADJOURN

There was no further business to come before the Commission. Commissioner Jimmy Levens motioned to adjourn, and Commissioner Frankie Castiglia seconded it. The meeting adjourned at 3:01 pm on August 23, 2023.

DocuSigned by:


Billy Thornton, President

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Windy Sweetman III, Secretary