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Directors

Jackson County Utility Authority
Special Call Meeting
Board of Directors
2:00 PM
1225 Jackson Avenue
Pascagoula, MS 39567
February 5, 2018

### **Minutes**

### 1. Call to Order

The Special Call Meeting of the Board of Directors convened at 2:04 P.M., February 5, 2018, at 1225 Jackson Avenue, Pascagoula, MS. Board members present were: Kevin Coggin, President; Tommy Eldridge, Vice President; Kevin Miller, Secretary-Treasurer; Andrew J. Elly, Vice Secretary-Treasurer; Directors Jerry Munro and Marshall Smith. Director Michael Murphy participated by telephone. It was determined there was a quorum.

Also present were: Tommy Fairfield, Executive Director; James Heidelberg and April McDonald, Authority Counsel

# 2. Consideration Of Executive Session for Litigation, Potential Litigation, Property Acquisition

Director Elly made a motion to go into Closed Session to consider the need and merits for an Executive Session. Director Smith seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

At 2:05 PM, the Board closed the meeting to the public. The need to discuss matters of litigation was considered.

Director Elly made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Director Munro seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

At 2:06 PM, the Board opened the meeting to the public to announce the Board had indeed found the need to go into Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation.

Director Elly made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation. Director Smith seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

At 2:07 PM, the board entered Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation and closed to the public. In attendance were Directors Coggin, Eldridge, Elly, Munro, and Smith. Also present was Tommy Fairfield, Executive Director, James Heidelberg and April McDonald, Board Counsel. Director Murphy participated by telephone.

Director Smith made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Director Munro seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

At 2:27 PM, the meeting resumed open session.

Director Elly presented a letter from the City of Moss Point that proposed several areas of cooperation and the intent to dismiss the complaint against the Utility Authority.

Director Elly made a motion that the Utility Authority authorize Counsel to respond positively to the letter from Moss Point (**Exhibit "A"**). Director Munro seconded the motion. The points covered in Exhibit "A" were discussed by the Directors. The motion was unanimously approved.

Director Eldridge made a motion that the Utility Authority authorize Counsel to negotiate with the City of Pascagoula to achieve a same, or substantially similar, agreement, and respond in a positive manner, which would be affirmed at the next Regular Board meeting. Director Munro seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

Director Miller arrived at this time (2:40 PM).

#### 3. Director Item

The Executive Director presented the new hierarchy organization chart that was developed in cooperation with the Benefits and Compensation Committee. **Exhibit "B"**. The Executive Director then requested authorization to adopt the updated organization chart, open the position of Project Coordinator, open a second Compliance Officer position (dividing duties between two), open the position of Metrologist and suspend the position of Supervisor of Decentralized Treatment. The present Supervisor of Decentralized will be reassigned to the new compliance position and the present Metrologist will be reassigned to the new Project Coordinator position as then are both well qualified for the assignments and the result will be improved efficiency within JCUA. Director Munro made a motion to approve the requested action. Director Smith seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

### 4. Action Items

### A. Property Acquisition

The Executive Director reported that Mr. Travis Green rejected the offer at appraised value for the necessary easement on the north side of Fort Bayou for the new line crossing. The points of concern for the project impacts of delay and condemnation procedures were presented to the Board by the Executive Director and Counselor. Mr. Heidelberg presented a proposed resolution **Exhibit "C"** for a just and reasonable administrative adjustment offer. Director Munro made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented. Director Eldridge seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

- B. Weather Report Discussed recent ice event. No action was taken.
- 5. Announce Date and Time of Next Regular Meeting February 12, 2017 at 4:00 P.M.
- 6. Adjourn

At 2:59 PM, Director Murphy made a motion to adjourn. Director Eldridge seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Director Murphy the motion to adjourn. Director Eldridge seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board members present. The meeting was adjourned at 2:59 P.M.

WITNESS OUR SIGNATURES as approval of these Minutes on this 12th day of March, 2018.

KEVIN COGGIN, PRESIDENT

KEVIN MILLER, SECRETARY-TREASURER