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Jackson County Utility Authority

Regular Meeting

Board of Directors

September 11, 2023

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The Regular meeting of the Board of Directors convened at 4:00 P.M., September 11, 2023, at 1225 Jackson Avenue, Pascagoula, MS. Board members present were: Director Eldridge, President; Director Murphy, Vice President; Director Elly, Secretary / Treasurer; and Directors Lanham, Mallette and Munro. Director Moore was unable to attend. It was determined there was a quorum.

Also present were: Eric Page, Executive Director; Linda V. Gasaway, Executive Assistant; Chase Glisson, Deputy Director; Tara Fulton, HR Manager; Lynette Hardin, Accounting Manager; Richard Torjusen, Purchasing Supervisor; James Heidelberg and Myra Cunningham, Legal Counsel; Pete McMaster and Robert Teem, Arcadis; Doug Wimberly, Neel-Schaffer; Anthony Greer, Pickering and Kreg Overstreet, Michael Baker.

2. Devotion

Mr. Page presented the Devotion.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Director Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Changes to Agenda, If Any

Director Eldridge asked if there any changes to the Agenda. Mr. Page requested the following items be added: Add-On Item 6.D. – Adopt - July 24, 2023 Corrected Minutes; 7.A. – Presentation from HR related to PTO and Add-On for Item 8.A. – Expenditures.

5. Public Recognition

Director Eldridge asked if there were any Public to be recognized. There were none.

6. Consent Agenda

A. Adopt – August 28, 2023 Minutes ([Pages 3 – 7](#)), **Exhibit “A”**

B. Consider – Ol’ Magnolia Pest Control – Amend Pest Control Services Agreement – Remove West Jackson County Trailer ([Pages 8 – 9](#)), **Exhibit “B”**

C. Consider – SLT Solutions – AutoCad Subscription – Annual Renewal ([Pages 10 – 12](#)), **Exhibit “C”**

D. Adopt – July 24, 2023 Corrected Minutes **Add On (Pages 13 – 17), Exhibit “D”**

Director Eldridge presented this item. Director Murphy made a motion to Approve Items 6.A. – 6.D. as presented. Director Munro seconded the motion. Director Eldridge asked if there were any questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

7. Presentation **Add-On**

A. Information Only – Employee PTO Benefits **(Pages 18 – 28), Exhibit “E”**

As requested by the Board, Ms. Fulton, HR Manager, presented an Employee PTO Benefits presentation detailing PTO, Retirement and PERs benefits and how they pertain to employees and JCUA, followed by were various questions, comments and discussion. This was for information only, no action required.

8. Discussion Agenda

A. Expenditures **(Pages 29 – 35), Exhibit “F”**

Director Eldridge presented this item. Following questions and discussion, Director Murphy made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Munro seconded the motion. Director Eldridge asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

B. Information Only – Water Quality Samples May 2023 – August 2023 **(Pages 36 – 37), Exhibit “G”**

Mr. Page presented this item focusing on the (yellow) high level areas, followed by questions and comments. This was for information only, no action required.

C. Projects

1. Consider – JCUA POTW-2C (GTP) Clarifier No. 2 Rehab – Garver Design Phase Services Invoice No. 22W10250-8 **(Pages 38 – 39), Exhibit “H”**

Mr. Page presented this item and stated Staff has reviewed and recommends approval for payment. Director Elly made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Mallette seconded the motion. Director Eldridge asked if there were any questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

2. Information Only – JCUA FY 2023 Odor Study –Staff Progress on Initiating Odor Study Recommendations **(Page 40), Exhibit “I”**

Mr. Page presented this item and deferred to Mr. Glisson for additional information. This was for information only, no action required.

9. Administrative Items

A. Information Only – Water & Wastewater Operations Updates – August 2023 **(Pages 41 – 42), Exhibit “J”**

Mr. Page presented this item and deferred to Mr. Glisson for additional information. This was for information only, no action required.

B. Information Only – Wholesale Wastewater Flow Metering Discussion (Page 43 – 58), Exhibit “K”

Mr. Page stated that Director Moore requested this item be pulled for presentation at the next Board Meeting. Director Eldridge preferred the item not be pulled and requested the item be presented. Mr. Page deferred to Mr. Glisson for presentation. This was for information only, no action required.

C. Consider – Verily Life Sciences, LLC Wastewater Monitoring Partnership Request (Page 59 - 64), Exhibit “L”

Mr. Page presented this item and stated that this monitoring of the wastewater will not only benefit the community but will also provide JCUA compensation to conduct the study. Director Munro made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Elly seconded the motion. Director Eldridge asked if there were any questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

D. Information Only – Compelled Connection Notice to Prospective Commercial Customers (Pages 65 – 67), Exhibit “M”

Mr. Page presented this item followed by questions, comments and discussion. This was for information only, no action required.

E. Information Only – Initial Notice of Service Availability along Seaman, Antioch, and Fountainbleau Roads (Pages 68 – 72), Exhibit “N”

Mr. Page presented this item followed by questions and comments. This was for information only, no action required.

F. Consider – Recommendation to Accept Chlorine Bid (Page 73), Exhibit “O”

Mr. Page presented this item and deferred to Mr. Torjusen, Purchasing Supervisor, for questions. Following questions and comments, Director Murphy made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Munro seconded the motion. Director Eldridge asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

G. Consider – Request to Open New Account – FY-2024 Budget Future Market Funds – Hancock Bank (Page 74), Exhibit “P”

Mr. Page presented this item and stated this is for the Money Market Funds. Director Murphy made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Munro seconded the motion. Director Eldridge asked if there were any questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

H. Consider – Request to Open New Account - Separate USDA Reserve and USDA SLA Funds – Cadence Bank (Page 75), Exhibit “Q”

Mr. Page presented this item and stated this is in response to Board’s request to separate USDA Reserve and Short Lived Asset Funds. Director Munro made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Murphy seconded the motion. Director Eldridge asked if there were any questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

10. Board Attorney Items

A. Consider – Petition to Intervene – Great River (Pages 76 – 77), Exhibit “R”

Mr. Heidelberg presented this item requesting that Board Intervene in the Great River Utility proceedings as presented. Director Elly made a motion to Concur with Legal Counsel Recommendation as presented. Director Murphy seconded the motion. Director Eldridge asked if there were any questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

B. Attorney Items

Counsel updated the Board on Attorney matters. No Board action was taken.

11. Director Items

Director Lanham inquired if Staff had received a claim regarding sewage backup in Gautier home due to backflow preventer not being installed by developer.

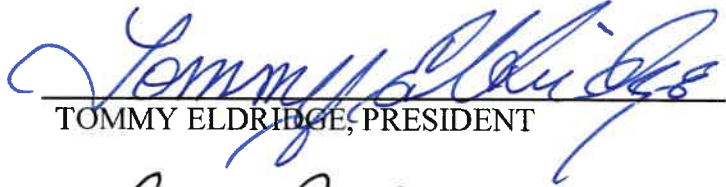
12. Executive Session (If Needed)

Director Eldridge asked if there was a need for Executive Session. There was not.

13. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Director Elly made Motion to adjourn. Director Munro seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present. The meeting adjourned at 5:11 P.M.

WITNESS OUR SIGNATURES as approval of these Minutes on this 25th day of September, 2023.


TOMMY ELDRIDGE, PRESIDENT


ANDREW J. ELLY, SECRETARY/TREASURER