



**Board Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2020**

Be it remembered that a meeting of the Pearl River County Utility Authority Board of Directors was held on May 21, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Pearl River County Utility Authority at 612 Neal Road in Picayune, Mississippi. In attendance were:

BOARD:

Tabatha Butler, President	present
Quinn Houchin, Treasurer	absent
Ernie Lovell, Director	present by phone
Bill Burns, Director	present
Billy Spiers, Director	present by phone
Charles "Chuck" E. Jones, Director	present by phone
Marcia Johnson, Vice President	present

OTHER:

Cliff Diamond, Executive Director	present
Heather Smith, Board Attorney	present
Randy Burge, Field Operations Manager	present
Jonathan Hickman, Dungan Engineering	present by phone

There being a quorum sufficient to transact business of the Pearl River County Utility Authority, Executive Director Cliff Diamond called the meeting to order. The following proceedings were had and done:

Approval of Consent Agenda Items: Motion to approve by Marcia Johnson, seconded by Bill Burns. A roll call resulted in the following votes:

Tabatha Butler	voted	aye
Quinn Houchin	voted	absent
Ernie Lovell	voted	aye
Charles "Chuck" E. Jones	voted	aye
Billy Spiers	voted	aye
William "Bill" Burns	voted	aye
Marcia Johnson	voted	aye

The motion passed 6-0. (Exhibits A, B, C)

Public Comments: None

Engineer's Comments: Jonathan Hickman of Dungan Engineering gave a verbal project update via phone call. No action taken.

Approve Dungan Engineering invoice #10 for \$5,905.58 for Highway 11 Widening Utility Relocation Project. Motion to approve by Billy Spiers, seconded by Marcia Johnson. A roll call resulted in the following votes:

Tabatha Butler	voted	aye
Quinn Houchin	voted	absent
Ernie Lovell	voted	aye
Charles "Chuck" E. Jones	voted	aye
Billy Spiers	voted	aye
William "Bill" Burns	voted	aye
Marcia Johnson	voted	aye

The motion passed 6-0. (Exhibit D)

Approve City of Picayune Reimbursement Request; #6 for \$33,582.29 for Highway 11 Widening Utility Relocation Project. Motion to approve by Ernie Lovell, seconded by Billy Spiers. A roll call resulted in the following votes:

Tabatha Butler	voted	aye
Quinn Houchin	voted	absent
Ernie Lovell	voted	aye
Charles "Chuck" E. Jones	voted	aye
Billy Spiers	voted	aye
William "Bill" Burns	voted	aye
Marcia Johnson	voted	aye

The motion passed 6-0. (Exhibit E)

Approve City of Picayune Reimbursement Request; #7 for \$134,395.25 for Highway 11 Widening Utility Relocation Project. Motion to approve by Bill Burns, seconded by Billy Spiers. A roll call resulted in the following votes:

Tabatha Butler	voted	aye
Quinn Houchin	voted	absent
Ernie Lovell	voted	aye
Charles "Chuck" E. Jones	voted	aye
Billy Spiers	voted	aye
William "Bill" Burns	voted	aye
Marcia Johnson	voted	aye

The motion passed 6-0. (Exhibit F)

Executive Director's Report: Cliff Diamond presented the Executive Director's monthly report. No action taken. (Exhibit G)

Authorize Purchase of Ground Penetrating Radar Unit with a Total Price Not to Exceed \$28,000.00. Motion to approve by Bill Burns, seconded by Billy Spiers. A roll call resulted in the following votes:

Tabatha Butler	voted	nay
Quinn Houchin	voted	absent

Ernie Lovell	voted	aye
Charles "Chuck" E. Jones	voted	aye
Billy Spiers	voted	aye
William "Bill" Burns	voted	aye
Marcia Johnson	voted	nay

The motion passed 4-2. (No Exhibit)

Due to Economic Uncertainty Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic: Release Clymer Contracting from Their Pending Bid for the 921 Goodyear Blvd Construction Project; and Hold on Project Construction Decisions Until CY2021; and Hold on Rate Adjustment Decisions Until CY2021; and Hold on Pending Revenue Bond Offering Until CY2021; and Offer Current Office Space Landlord a 12-Month Lease Extension at the Current Monthly Rate. Motion to approve by Marcia Johnson, seconded by Ernie Lovell. A roll call resulted in the following votes:

Tabatha Butler	voted	aye
Quinn Houchin	voted	absent
Ernie Lovell	voted	aye
Charles "Chuck" E. Jones	voted	aye
Billy Spiers	voted	nay
William "Bill" Burns	voted	nay
Marcia Johnson	voted	aye

The motion passed 4-2. (No Exhibit)

Approve Sewer Adjustment Credit for Mississippi Action for Progress: 1628 Rosa Street in the amount of \$ 2,745.00 Contingent on the Remaining Balance Being Paid to City of Picayune to Reinstate the Account to Good Standing. Motion to approve by Marcia Johnson, seconded by Bill Burns. A roll call resulted in the following votes:

Tabatha Butler	voted	aye
Quinn Houchin	voted	absent
Ernie Lovell	voted	aye
Charles "Chuck" E. Jones	voted	aye
Billy Spiers	voted	aye
William "Bill" Burns	voted	aye
Marcia Johnson	voted	aye

The motion passed 6-0. (Exhibit H)

Board Comments: None

Adjourn: Motion to Adjourn by Billy Spiers. Seconded by Tabatha Butler. A roll call resulted in the following votes:

Tabatha Butler	voted	aye
Quinn Houchin	voted	absent
Ernie Lovell	voted	aye

Charles "Chuck" E. Jones	voted	aye
Billy Spiers	voted	aye
William "Bill" Burns	voted	aye
Marcia Johnson	voted	aye


The motion passed 6-0. (No Exhibit)

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:20 p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at 612 Neal Road in Picayune, MS.



Tabatha Butler
Board President



Attest: