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Directors

# **Jackson County Utility Authority**

Regular Meeting Board of Directors

November 10, 2025

#### **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to Order

The Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Directors convened at 4:00 p.m. Monday November 10, 2025 at 1225 Jackson Ave, Pascagoula, MS. Board members present were: Director Murphy, President; Director Elly, Secretary/ Treasurer; Director Compton; Director Lanham; and Director Eldridge. It was determined there was a quorum. Also present were:

Eric Page, Executive Director: Linda Green, Director of Finance and Administration; Aimee Culpepper, Executive Administrative Assistant; James Heidelberg, Legal Counsel; Pete McMaster, Arcadis; Doug Wimberly, Neel Schaffer; Chuck Starling, Kimley-Horn; and Christian Gidlund, Michael Baker and Associates.

#### 2. Devotion

Mr. Page gave the Devotion.

#### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

Director Compton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 4. Changes to Agenda

Director Murphy asked if there were any changes to Agenda. There were none.

#### 5. Public Recognition

Director Murphy asked if there were any Public to Recognize, there were none.

### 6. Consent Agenda

- A. Adopt October 27, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes (Pages 3-8) Exhibit "A"
- B. Consider Polymer Bid Request to Award (Pages 9-14) Exhibit "B"
- C. Information Only October 2025 Water Quality Results Map and Field Conditions (Page 15-17) **Exhibit "C"**

Director Murphy presented this item. Following questions and comments. Director Eldridge made a motion to approve items 6.A.- 6. C. as presented. Director Lanham seconded the motion. Director Murphy asked if there any other questions or

comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

### 7. Discussion Agenda

A. Expenditures (Pages 18-22) Exhibit "D"

Mr. Page presented this item. Following questions and comments, Director Elly made a motion to approve this item as presented. Director Compton seconded the motion. Director Murphy asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

### B. Projects

- Consider PMP Aeration Basin #3 Joint & Drain Repair (Pages 23-25) Exhibit "E"
  - Kimley Horn Design Phase Services Invoice

Mr. Page presented this item. Following questions and comments, Director Compton made a motion to approve this item as presented. Director Elly seconded the motion. Director Murphy asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

- Consider GOMESA Poticaw Bayou Road Sewer Extension (Pages 26-33)
   Exhibit "F"
  - MBI Design Phase Invoice

Mr. Page presented this item. Following questions and comments, Director Lanham made a motion to approve this item as presented. Director Compton seconded the motion. Director Murphy asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

- Consider RESTORE South Central Septic Abatement Project Misc. Boring Services Contract (Pages 34-37) Exhibit "G"
  - Coast Underground Task #2 Request to Award

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

- Consider MDOT HWY 90 Force Main Relocation (Pages 38-51)
   a. Request to Advertise Exhibit "H"
  - Mr. Page presented this item. Following questions and comments, Director Elly made a motion to approve this item as presented. Director Eldridge seconded the motion. Director Murphy asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.
    - b. Design Phase Services, Phase B Contract Exhibit "I"

Mr. Page presented this item. Following questions and comments, Director Compton made a motion to approve this item as presented. Director Lanham seconded the motion. Director Murphy asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

- 5. Consider MDOT Water Main Relocation (Pages 52-65)
  - a. Gulf Coast Solutions Final Pay Application Exhibit "J"

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

b. Design Phase Service, Phase B Contract Exhibit "K"

Mr. Page presented this item. Following questions and comments, Director Compton made a motion to approve this item as presented. Director Lanham seconded the motion. Director Murphy asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

- 6. Consider 2026 Engineering Services Request for Qualifications (Pages 66-72)
  - Request to Advertise Exhibit "L"

Mr. Page presented this item. Following questions and comments, Director Compton made a motion to approve this item as presented. Director Lanham seconded the motion. Director Murphy asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

#### 8. Administrative Items

A. Consider – Capital Outlay Spare Pump Purchase – Jordan Road PS #7 (Pages 73-75) Exhibit "M"

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

B. Consider – Capital Outlay Spare Pump Purchase – McNair Boulevard PS #28 (Pages 76-78) Exhibit "N"

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

C. Consider – Capital Outlay Equipment Purchase – Digestor Aerator Floating Platform Replacement (Pages 79-84) Exhibit "O"

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

D. Consider - November 2025 Disposal & Gains Report (Pages 85-87) Exhibit "P"

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

E. Consider – Holiday Disconnect Policy Adjustment (Page 88) Exhibit "O"

Mr. Page presented this item. Following questions and comments, Director Eldridge made a motion to approve this item and make it a permanent policy. After further discussion Director Elly made a motion to amend that motion and approve the policy for this Holiday Season only and revisit the matter in January. Director Lanham seconded the motion. Director Murphy asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

#### 9. Board Attorney Items

Counsel updated the Board on Attorney matters.

#### 10. Director Items

Director Eldridge asked for clarification on the Hwy 63 Pole Barn Construction and asked if JCUA had begun making payments to JCBOS for the purchase of EUD.

## 11. Executive Session, (Requested to discuss Possible litigation)

At 4:44 p.m., Director Elly made a motion to go into Closed Session regarding possible litigation with Ed Carson the resident at 6936 Red Bud Lane regarding his billing account for Executive Session. Director Eldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

The meeting was closed to determine reasons for need of Executive Session. In Closed Session it was determined that there was a need to go into Executive Session.

At 4:46 p.m., Director Elly made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Director Lanham seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

At 4:46p.m, Director Elly made a motion to into Executive Session to discuss billing and the balance on Mr. Carson's account. Director Eldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

In attendance were: Directors Compton, Lanham, Murphy, Eldridge, Elly, Mr. Page, Mrs. Green, Ms. Culpepper and Mr. Heidelberg.

At 4:53 p.m. Director Elly made a motion to come out of Executive Session and resume Regular Session. Director Lanham seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

No business was undertaken in Executive Session.

At 4:53 p.m., the meeting was re-opened to the public and regular session resumed.

## 12. Consider - Adjustments and balance owed on Ed Carson's billing account

Director Eldridge made a motion to credit Mr. Carson's account \$180.00 and to provide a payment plan for the remaining past due balance as long as the bill is paid on time. Director Elly seconded the motion. Director Murphy asked if there were any other questions or comments, there were none. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

## 13. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Director Elly made a motion to Adjourn. Director Lanham seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present. The meeting adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

WITNESS OUR SIGNATURES as approval of these Minutes on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025.

RICKEY MURPHY, PRESIDENT

ANDREW J. ELKY, // SECRETARY/TREASURER