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Jackson County Utility Authority

Regular Meeting
Board of Directors

May 13, 2024

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The Regular meeting of the Board of Directors for Monday, May 13, 2024 convened on at 4:00 P.M., at 1225 Jackson Avenue, Pascagoula, MS. Board members present were: Director Eldridge, President; Director Murphy, Vice President; Director Elly, Secretary / Treasurer; and Directors Compton, Lanham, Mallette and Munro. It was determined there was a quorum.

Also present were: Eric Page, Executive Director; Linda V. Gasaway, Executive Assistant; Chase Glisson, Deputy Director; Linda Green, Finance Director; James Heidelberg, Legal Counsel; Doug Wimberly, Neel-Schaffer; Chuck Starling, Kimley Horn; Robert Teem, Arcadis; Maria Saylor and Kim Marmalich, AVL.

2. Devotion

Eric Page

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Director Munro led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Changes to Agenda, If Any

Director Eldridge asked if there were any changes to the Agenda. Mr. Page requested the following changes: Add-On for Item Item 8.A. – Expenditures.

5. Public Recognition

Director Eldridge asked if there were any Public to recognize. Board recognized Ms. Maria Saylor and Ms. Kim Marmalich with Alexander, Van Loon, Sloan, Levens & Favre, PLLC (AVL)

6. JCUA FY 2023 Annual Financial Audit

A. FY 2023 Audit Presentation (**Handout**)

Director Eldridge presented this item and deferred to Ms. Maria Saylor, AVL, for the JCUA FY 2023 Audit Presentation.

B. Consider – JCUA FY 2023 Annual Financial Audit Report (**Pages 3 – 47**), **Exhibit “A”**

Following the JCUA FY 2023 Audit Presentation and general discussion, Director Elly made a motion to Accept 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.

7. Consent Agenda

A. Adopt – April 22, 2024 Minutes (**Pages 48 – 50**), **Exhibit “B”**

B. Information Only – Water Quality Samples January 2024 – April 2024 (Pages 51 – 53), **Exhibit “C”**

C. Information Only – JCUA S&P Rating Action (Page 54 – 55), **Exhibit “D”**

D. Information Only – February 2024 Financial Reports (Pages 56 – 65), **Exhibit “E”**

Director Eldridge presented this item. Director Munro made a motion to Accept and Approve the consent agenda items. 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.

8. Discussion Agenda

A. Expenditures (Pages 66 - 73), **Exhibit “F”**

Director Eldridge presented this item. Following questions and comments, Director Murphy made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Lanham 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. Projects

1. Consider – Colonial Estates Sewer Collection System Installation (CESWR) – Construction Phase Invoice – BMA (Pages 74 – 82), **Exhibit “G”**

Mr. Page presented this item and stated Staff has reviewed the invoice and recommends approval for payment. Following questions and comments, Director Murphy made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Compton 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.

2. Consider – Water/Sewer Connection Projects – Term Contract Documents (ARPA) – Bidding Phase Invoice – BMA (Pages 83 – 84), **Exhibit “H”**

Mr. Page presented this item and stated Staff has reviewed the invoice and recommends approval for payment. Following questions and comments, Director Munro made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Mallette 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.

3. Consider – Water/Sewer Connection Projects – Term Contract Documents (Water & Sewer Related Borings) (ARPA) – Bidding Phase Invoice – BMA (Pages 85 – 86), **Exhibit “I”**

Mr. Page presented this item and stated Staff has reviewed the invoice and recommends approval for payment. Director Elly 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.

4. Consider – JCUA POTW-2C (GTP) Clarifier No. 2 Rehab (GACCR) – Construction Phase Invoice – Garver (Pages 87 – 88), **Exhibit “J”**

Mr. Page presented this item and stated Staff has reviewed the invoice and recommends approval for payment. Following questions and comments, Director Munro made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Murphy 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.

5. Consider – JCUA POTW-2C (GTP) Process Improvements – Facility Planning – Professional Services Invoice – Garver (Pages 89 – 90), **Exhibit “K”**
Mr. Page presented this item and stated Staff has reviewed the invoice and recommends approval for payment. Director Murphy 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.

9. Administrative Items

- A. Consider – May 2024 Disposal and Gains Report (Pages 91 – 106), **Exhibit “L”**
Mr. Page presented this item. Following questions, comments and discussion, Director Munro made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Murphy 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. Consider – Request to Submit ARPA Scope Increase to \$1,000,000.00 and Retail Grants Update (Pages 107 – 108), **Exhibit “M”**
Mr. Page presented this item and deferred to Mr. Glisson for additional information. Following questions, comments and discussion, Director Elly made a motion to Approve this item as presented. Director Murphy 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.
- C. Information Only – Pascagoula High School POTW-7C (PMP) Plant Tour (Pages 109 – 110), **Exhibit “N”**
Mr. Page presented this item. This was for information only, no action required.
- D. Information Only – Recent JCUA Training (Pages 111 – 112), **Exhibit “O”**
Mr. Page presented this item. This was for information only, no action required.

10. Board Attorney Items

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

11. Director Items

Director Eldridge asked if there were any Directors Items. Various Items were discussed and Executive Session was requested regarding Potential Acquisition.

12. Executive Session (Potential Acquisition)

At 5:04 P.M., Director Elly made a motion to go into Closed Session regarding Potential Acquisition for possible Executive Session. Director Munro seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

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

At 5:06 P.M., Director Elly made Motion to come out of Closed Session. Director Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

At 5:06 P.M., Director Elly made a motion to go into Executive Session. Director Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

In attendance were: Directors Compton, Eldridge, Elly, Lanham, Mallette, Munro and Murphy. Mr. Page, Ms. Gasaway, Mr. Glisson, Ms. Green and Mr. Heidelberg.

At 5:28 P.M., Director Elly made a motion that the Board come out of Executive Session and resume Regular Session. Director Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote by the Board Members present.

No business was undertaken in Executive Session.

At 5:28 P.M., the meeting re-opened to public and regular session resumed.

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 5:29 P.M.

WITNESS OUR SIGNATURES as approval of these Minutes on this 27th day of May, 2024.



TOMMY ELDRIDGE, PRESIDENT



ANDREW J. ELLY, SECRETARY/TREASURER