

DESOTO COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITY

Board of Directors

Regular Meeting

October 19, 2022

9:00 A.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Directors present at the meeting were:

Director Andy Swims  
Director Joe Frank Lauderdale  
Director Tim Tucker  
Director Pete Scott

The October 19, 2022, regular meeting of the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority Board of Directors was called to order by Director Andy Swims, DCRUA President. He announced there was a quorum.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Pete Scott made a motion to approve the minutes of September 21, 2022 2022. Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

C. APPROVAL OF INVOICES

Director Joe Frank Lauderdale made a motion to approve all invoices as submitted for approval. Director Andy Swims seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes

Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit A\*\*\*

D. NEW BUSINESS

**Mississippi Economic Council (MEC) Membership – Wayne Spell** – Wayne Spell introduced himself to the Board. Mr. Spell stated he is a member of several Boards which he would like to maintain membership. The DCRUA Board agreed they would like Mr. Spell to maintain his membership and would review in more detail once Mr. Spell begins with DCRUA.

**Massey Home Builders – Approval of System Development Fee Refund -** Director Tim Tucker made a motion to approve the refund to Massey Home Builders for 3464 Krennen St. and 3424 Hatton Dr. due to duplicate payments to DCRUA and the City of Southaven. Director Pete Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit B\*\*\*

**SouthGroup Insurance – Approval of Renewal** – Director Joe Frank Lauderdale made a motion to Judy Marshall to take any action needed, if any, before the next Board Meeting for insurance renewal with SouthGroup. Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

**System Development Account – Approval of SDF funds & COE Reimbursement** - After noting that the System Development Fees may be used for the expansion and improvements to the DCRUA System, along with noting that the System Development Fees provide cash flow for DCRUA to pay the costs of projects which will be reimbursed by the Corp. of Engineers and/or MDEQ SRF, Director Andy Swims made a motion to authorize use of System Development Fee funds on a recurring basis for invoice payments with COE/SRF reimbursements

reports to the Board. Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

**Shortfork WWT – Approval of JWC Environmental Quote – Honey Monster Repair** – Director Joe Frank Lauderdale made a motion to approve the repair of the Honey Monster with JWC Environmental in the amount of \$44,969.08 and to raise the wastehauler dumping fee to \$40.00 a load, due to the extra expense associated with the DCRUA Systems for the handling of the materials that are dumped by the wastehaulers. Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit C\*\*\*

**NRCS Project – Camp Creek Bank Stabilization** – Director Andy Swims made a motion to authorize the Board President to sign the letter requesting assistance from NRCS on the Camp Creek Bank Stabilization project. Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit D\*\*\*

#### E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Section 25-41-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, Director Pete Scott requested, by motion, a closed determination of the issue of whether to declare an executive session for purposes of discussing personnel. Director Joe Frank Lauderdale seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

The meeting was then closed. After discussion, Director Andy Swims moved to go into executive session for purposes of discussing personnel. Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

It was noted that Wayne Spell had accepted the job as the DCRUA Executive Director/General Manager on a part-time basis for compensation in the amount of \$60,000 along with an additional \$12,000 for Mr. Spell to obtain insurance and benefits for a total pay of \$72,000.00. Wayne Spell discussed necessary items to have in place for his start date of January 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Board was in agreement to obtain office items. No action was taken.

Director Joe Frank Lauderdale made a motion to end the Executive Session. Director Andy Swims seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

#### F. PERMITS

**Cane Creek Subdivision (On-site Septic), Carson Creek Subdivision (Olive Branch), Deerwood Crossing (On-site Septic)-** After review of the information submitted and discussion, Director Tim Tucker made a motion to approve the permit for Cane Creek Subdivision (On-site Septic), Carson Creek Subdivision (Olive Branch), Deerwood Crossing (On-site Septic)- Director Pete Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit E\*\*\*

G. ENGINEERING REPORT

Ross Horton provided the status report for the Metro Upgrade.  
 \*\*\*Exhibit F\*\*\*

**Metro Upgrade** - After noting that DCRUA was under contract for the Metro Upgrade, Director Tim Tucker made a motion to approve The Lemoine Company Pay App #12 in the amount of \$478,841.86. Director Andy Swims seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit G\*\*\*

Ross Horton provided the status report for the Lower Camp Creek & Byhalia Overflow project.  
 \*\*\*Exhibit H\*\*\*

After noting that DCRUA was under contract with Hemphill, Director Joe Frank Lauderdale made a motion to approve Hemphill Construction Company Pay App #3 in the amount of \$2,321,059.55. Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit I\*\*\*

Tracy Huffman advised the Board work sessions with the mayors will be useful

prior to a DC trip possibly in December regarding the HLCISD.

Zak Cook, COE Project Manager, provided an update to the Board on funding.

H. OPERATIONS REPORT

Eddy Russell presented the operations and maintenance report from Inframark for the Short Fork, Ross Road, Braybourne and Johnson Creek WWTP facilities to the Board.

\*\*\***Exhibit J**\*\*\*

Rob Richman presented the operations and maintenance report from Mitchell Technical Services for the Metro WWTF.

\*\*\***Exhibit K**\*\*\*

I. ADJOURN/RECESS

Director Joe Frank Lauderdale made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

  
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Board President

  
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Board Clerk