

MISSISSIPPI TORT CLAIMS BOARD
MINUTES
September 14, 2023

The Mississippi Tort Claims Board (Board) meeting was held in Room 138, Woolfolk State Office Building; 501 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi at 1:30 p.m.

The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

Mr. Phillip Buffington, Chairman
Ms. Kim Turner, Representing MS Attorney General Lynn Fitch
Mr. David McRae, Mississippi State Treasurer
Ms. Denita Griffith, Representing MS Department of Public Safety Commissioner Sean Tindell
Ms. Liz Welch, Director, MS Department of Finance and Administration
Mr. Ted Lampton, Representing Chris Wells, MS Department of Environmental Quality

Also present were:

Ms. Liz Bolin, MS Department of Finance and Administration
Ms. Karen McKlemurry, Office of Insurance/Tort Claims Board Staff
Mr. Mike Lanford, Interim Tort Claims Board Administrator
Mr. Steve Milner, Tort Claims Board
Mr. Dan Smith, Attorney General's Office
Mr. Bert Emrick, Office of Insurance
Mr. Jeff Wilson, Trinity Capital

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Mr. David McRae to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2023 meeting. Ms. Kim Turner seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Chairman recognize Mr. Mike Lanford, who presented a list of 87 political subdivisions with the recommendation of Board approval for renewal of Certificates of Coverage. Ms. Liz Welch made a motion to approve and Mr. McRae seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lanford provided information regarding the current financial reports.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Jeff Wilson, who provided an overview of the current investment reports, as well as the revised Investment Policy. Ms. Welch made a motion to approve the revised Investment Policy and Ms. Turner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Chairman then recognized Mr. Steve Milner, who provided an overview of the recent risk management services provided.

In Old Business, Mr. Mike Lanford provided additional information on the Tort Assessment Invoices.

In New Business, Mr. Lanford informed the Board that Harper, Rains, Knight & Company has been retained to evaluate the Board's internal control processes and general oversight of the operations of the Tort Claims Board office.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Welch made the motion to adjourn. Mr. McRae seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned.



KIM TURNER, ACTING CHAIRMAN