

MISSISSIPPI TORT CLAIMS BOARD
MINUTES
March 14, 2024

The Mississippi Tort Claims Board meeting was held on Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 1:30 p.m., in Room 138, Woolfolk State Office Building; 501 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

The following members were present, constituting a quorum:

Ms. Kim Turner, Acting Chairman
Ms. Christina Kelsey, Representing MS Insurance Commissioner Mike Chaney
Mr. Tate Lewis, Representing Mississippi State Treasurer David McRae
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
Ms. Amanda Rayburn, Tort Claims Board
Ms. Lori Paes, Tort Claims Board
Mr. Dan Smith, Attorney General's Office
Mr. Bert Emrick, Office of Insurance
Mr. Jeff Wilson, Trinity Capital
Lisa Wells, CCMSI

Ms. Kim Turner, Acting Chairman, called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Ms. Christina Kelsey to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2024 meeting. Ms. Liz Welch seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Chairman recognized Ms. Amanda Rayburn, Tort Claims Manager, who provided the board with an overview of any potential legislation relative to the Tort Claims Board introduced to date.

The Chairman again recognized Ms. Rayburn, who presented updates on the City of Jackson and Southwest Mississippi Regional Medical Center. The City of Jackson will be fully funded after their upcoming council meeting. Regarding The Southwest Mississippi Regional Medical Center, Staff recommended that a monthly payment plan be put in place until they are fully funded. Ms. Welch made the motion to approve and Ms. Kelsey seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Chairman once again recognized Ms. Rayburn, who presented a list of 28 political subdivisions with the recommendation of Board approval for renewal of Certificates of Coverage. Ms. Kelsey made a motion to approve and Mr. Ted Lampton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Lori Paes presented the financial report.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Jeff Wilson, who provided an overview of the current investment reports.

The Chairman recognized Ms. Rayburn, who presented five attorneys for inclusion on the Defense Attorney List and requested board approval. Mr. Lampton made a motion to approve and Mr. Tate Lewis seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

A request was made that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss ongoing litigation in the case of Gill vs. Mississippi Department of Public Safety. Ms. Liz Welch made a motion to close the current session which was seconded and unanimously adopted. The Chairman then requested a motion to go into executive session. The motion was made by Ms. Welch and seconded by Ms. Kelsey, then was passed unanimously by the board. Ms. Rayburn presented to the Board the judge's order to pay \$250,000 in Gill vs. Mississippi Department of Public Safety. Mr. Lampton made the motion to approve payment of the judgment and Ms. Welch seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Ms. Welch moved and Mr. Lampton seconded the motion to end the executive session, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Welch made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Ms. Kelsey seconded. The motion passed unanimously.



PHILLIP BUFFINGTON, CHAIRMAN