

PENSACOLA BEACH

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SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY PENSACOLA BEACH, FLORIDA REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 14, 2007

- 1-3. A regularly scheduled meeting of the Authority was held on Wednesday, February 14, 2007, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Members in attendance were: Mr. Vernon Prather, Dr. Thomas Campanella, Ms. Tammy Bohannon, Mr. Fred Gant, Mr. John L. Peacock, Jr., and Mr. Kelly Robertson. Mr. Prather, Chairman, called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of meditation.
- 4. PRIVATE ATTORNEY-CLIENT MEETING STEVE DEL GALLO et al. v. SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY, et al.

Mr. Prather announced that the board would hold a private attorney-client session regarding Steve DelGallo et.al. v. SRIA; he stated that the time was 4:35 p.m. and those to remain present in the meeting chambers were board members Mr. Vernon Prather, Dr. Thomas Campanella, Mr. Kelly Robertson, Ms. Tammy Bohannon, Mr. Fred Gant, and Mr. John Peacock, as well as the General Manager, Mr. Buck Lee, and attorneys, Mr. Matt Dannheisser and Mr. Mike Stebbins.

Mr. Prather announced the reopening of the public meeting at 5:18 p.m. on February 14, 2007. Present were board members Mr. Vernon Prather, Dr. Thomas Campanella, Mr. Kelly Robertson, Ms. Tammy Bohannon, Mr. Fred Gant, and Mr. John Peacock; General Manager, Mr. Buck Lee, attorneys, Mr. Matt Dannheisser and Mr. Mike Stebbins.

5. Upon motion of Mr. Peacock, seconded by Dr. Campanella, the board unanimously approved the minutes of the January 10, 2007 regular board meeting, as revised. (6-0)

Upon motion of Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Peacock, the board unanimously approved the minutes of the special board meeting of January 24, 2007. (6-0)

6-7. CHANGES/ADDITIONS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Upon motion of Mr. Peacock, seconded by Mr. Fred Gant, the board unanimously adopted the agenda with the following changes: added General Manager's contract under chairman's comments. (6-0)

8. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Mr. Prather reminded those present about Valentine's Day, and welcomed Ms. Mandie Webb, new employee in the Developmental Services Department. He then reviewed the proposed employment contract for the Manager, and a discussion followed.

Upon motion of Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Gant, the board approved the employment contract for the General Manager of the Santa Rosa Island Authority. (5-1 with Mr. Peacock voting against the motion)

9. RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION

- A. WILLIAM H. GRIFFITH
- B. JIMMIE PERKINS

Mr. Prather read a resolution in recognition of the service of Mr. Bill Griffith on the Santa Rosa Island Authority board, and the board heard comments by Mr. Griffith.

Mr. Prather then read a resolution of recognition for Mr. Jimmie Perkins (not present), also commending Mr. Perkins for his service to the Authority board.

Upon motion of Mr. Peacock, seconded by Ms. Bohannon, the board unanimously adopted the resolutions of recognition for Mr. William H. Griffith and Mr. Jimmie Perkins. (6-0)

10. PENSACOLA BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

Ms. Sandy Johnston, Manager of the Pensacola Beach Visitor's Information Center (VIC), distributed a report and noted that the number of visitors to the VIC continued to increase, exceeding the counts of the same month in the previous year. She stated that the reasons for visits included return visits; visiting friend or relative; internet; advertising; business in the area; visiting with a group meeting here; and the European guide. Ms. Johnston said the European vacation guide mentions Pensacola Beach and the "spaceship" house. She noted that the report also included the top ten visitors per state and international affiliation.

Ms. Johnston said her report outlined the various mail out destinations. She said that for Saturday night of February 17, only three hotels had rooms left due to the Mardi Gras activities. She said the Mardi Gras Parade is set to begin at 2:00 p.m., followed by free red beans and rice in the Casino Beach parking lot on Monday. Upon inquiry by Mr. Peacock, Ms. Johnston said she would provide a copy of the budget for the VIC. A brief discussion ensued regarding the responses the chamber receives from mailings as opposed to the web site. Mr. Robertson asked for a count of the number of hits received

on the web site.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 11. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- A. DEVELOPMENT & LEASING COMMITTEE (1-24-07) Mr. Fred Gant, Chairman

The following item was held in committee:

Item #1 – Pensacola Beach Gulf Pier – Request for changes in contract and construction extensions

B. ARCHITECTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE (1-24-07) – Mr. Kelly Robertson, Chairman

The committee unanimously recommends approval of the following items:

Item #2 – Mr. John Ehrenreich – Bonifay Water Sports, Inc. – 460 Pensacola Beach Boulevard – Request to construct a covered awning over a portion of the go-cart track

Item #6 – White Sands Townhouses, 411-493 Ft. Pickens Road (Bldgs. 1, 2 & 4) (Gulf Side) – Approval for Placement of a Construction/Office Trailer

The following item was held in committee:

Item #5 – Report on Sand Retention on Private Leaseholds

C. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE (1-24-07) – Ms. Tammy Bohannon, Chairman

The committee unanimously recommends approval of the following items:

Item #1 – Report on Financial Statements and Expenditures

Item #2 – Budget Amendment Policy

Item #4 – Scheduling a Workshop to further review the Pensacola Beach Studies

Item #5 – The Palace, 701 Pensacola Beach Boulevard – Default Settlement

The following item was for information and discussion:

Item #3 – Review of Contracts for Professional Services

Upon motion of Mr. Gant, seconded by Dr. Campanella, the board unanimously approved the consent agenda as published. (6-0)

REGULAR AGENDA

- 12. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- A. ARCHITECTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE (1-24-07) Mr. Kelly Robertson, Chairman

Item #1 – Mr. Richard McAlpin – Comfort Inn – 40 Fort Pickens Road – Request to construct an eight foot (8') high shadow box wooden privacy fence on the west side yard adjacent to LaCaribe, a residential subdivision

Mr. Prather reviewed the request, and a discussion followed.

Upon motion of Ms. Bohannon, seconded by Mr. Robertson, the board unanimously approved the request by Mr. Richard McAlpin on behalf of the Comfort Inn, 40 Fort Pickens Road, to construct an eight foot (8') high shadow box wooden privacy fence on the west side, subject to the new fence being no higher than the existing fence. (6-0)

Item #3 – Mr. Craig Sims – 151 LePort Drive – Lot 27, Lafitte Cove – adjacent to Canal – Request for a 20 foot encroachment into the 30 foot water side setback to construct an in-ground swimming pool, with a maximum four foot high fence

Mr. Prather presented the request, and a brief discussion followed.

Upon motion of Mr. Peacock, seconded by Dr. Campanella, the board approved the request of Mr. Craig Sims, 151 LePort Drive, for a 20 foot encroachment into the 30 foot water side setback to construct an in-ground swimming pool, with a maximum four foot high fence, subject to execution of a hold harmless agreement. (5-1 with Mr. Prather voting against the motion)

Item #4 – Rescission of the board's previous action to establish a limit of 850 square feet of enclosed space below the base flood elevation

Ms. Norton reviewed the history on the subject, and a discussion followed during which the board heard comments by Ms. Tona DeMers, Mr. Steve Ennis, Mr. Dan Green, Mr. Ted Mansfield, and Mr. Rob Wilson.

Upon motion of Mr. Peacock, seconded by Ms. Bohannon, the board unanimously approved rescinding the previous action of the board to establish a limit of 850 square feet of enclosed space below the base flood elevation. (6-0)

13. OLD BUSINESS

Item #1 – Discussion on Appraisal of Causeway Properties

Ms. Bolman called the board members attention to the copy of the appraisal, and requested that this item be referred to the February 28 committees. A brief discussion followed.

14 NEW BUSINESS

Item #1 – Discussion on Request for Tourism Development Council (TDC) Funds

Mr. West reviewed the presentation he made to the Tourist Development Council for funding for new lifeguard towers, and a brief discussion followed.

Item #2 – Mr. Bob Savage, Pensacola 3 LLC, 649 Pensacola Beach Blvd., (former site of Pensacola Beach Realty), request for approval to amend lease to include retail usage

Ms. Bolman asked that this item be referred to committee pending additional research into parking concerns.

Upon motion of Mr. Peacock, seconded by Mr. Gant, the board unanimously approved referring to the February 28 committees the request by Mr. Bob Savage d/b/a Pensacola 3 LLC, 649 Pensacola Beach Blvd., to amend his lease to include retail usage. (6-0)

Item #3 – Mr. Kevin Rudzki, Islander Entertainment, Inc. d/b/a Islander Package & Lounge – Request to sublease to Mr. David Kelly to continue operating as the Islander Package & Lounge

Ms. Bolman said staff recommended approval of the request, subject to payment of all applicable fees.

Upon motion of Dr. Campanella, seconded by Mr. Rudzki, the board unanimously approved the request by Mr. Kevin Rudzki, Islander Entertainment, Inc. d/b/a Islander Package & Lounge to sublease to Mr. David Kelly to continue operating as the Islander Package & Lounge, subject to payment of the appropriate percentage fees and compliance with all applicable rules and regulations. (6-0)

15. REPORTS

A. MANAGER'S REPORT

The Manager said that his report was published for the information of the board and noted that Commissioner Grover Robinson, along with the County Administrator, the Assistant County Administrator, the Director of Roads, and the Director of Code Enforcement toured the beach. He noted that the new roadway striping was now being installed. He also said that Escambia County Code Enforcement was coming out this month regarding debris clean-up.

B. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Mike Stebbins, SRIA co-counsel, said that the Attorney's Report was included for the information of the board and noted that it was the appropriate time to make a motion.

Upon motion of Mr. Gant, seconded by Mr. Peacock, the board voted to accept the attorney's report to recover the cost of litigation associated with DelGallo et. al. v. SRIA. (4-1 with Dr. Campanella voting against the motion and Ms. Bohannon momentarily absent from the meeting)

C. ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Dave Hemphill, SRIA engineering representative, stated that his report was also published for the board's information. He reported that the engineering firm was busy with ongoing construction projects to return the beach to pre-storm conditions, and the road improvements were also ongoing. Mr. Hemphill noted that improvements to the Quietwater Boardwalk parking lot were underway, as noted on the report. He then presented and reviewed change order #15 for safety bars at the end of the outfall structures.

Upon motion of Mr. Gant, seconded by Mr. Peacock, the board unanimously approved change order #15 for safety bars at the end of the outfall structures, as presented by Mr. Hemphill. (6-0)

16. VISITORS FORUM

The board heard comments by Mr. Lee Shrewsbury, 234 Ariola Dr., who addressed an unresolved issue he had regarding the sand removal process following Hurricane Ivan, and a discussion followed. Mr. Prather asked that Dr. Campanella work with staff on

the issue and report back at the February 28 Operations Committee.

Mr. Gant requested an attorney's opinion regarding the legal authority the board has to address the issues mentioned by Mr. Shrewsbury.

BOARD MEMBERS FORUM

Mr. Prather shared a letter he received from the residents of 1001 Ariola Drive regarding the sand retention issue. The board members then discussed the planning workshop.

Upon motion of Mr. Peacock, seconded by Mr. Gant, the board unanimously approved asking staff to develop a plan for accomplishing the visioning process. (6-0)

A discussion then ensued on the issue of sand retention. Mr. Prather asked that staff separate the issues of sand on the rights of way from the sand on private leasehold for discussion at the February 28 committee meetings.

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 7.15 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, William H. Griffith was appointed to serve on the Santa Rosa Island Authority board in January 1993 and served until November 2006, and

WHEREAS, William H. Griffith has proven his commitment to Pensacola Beach, Escambia County and the surrounding communities during his long and outstanding service to Northwest Florida as an appointed member of the Santa Rosa Island Authority, and

WHEREAS, William H. Griffith served as Chairman Vice-Chairman, and Secretary-Treasurer of the Santa Rosa Island Authority, as well as Chairman of various committees of the Santa Rosa Island Authority during his fourteen year service to the community including Hurricanes Erin, Opal, Georges, Ivan and Dennis, and

WHEREAS, William H. Griffith has proven time and again his commitment, honesty and integrity to fair and equitable governing of the island by the Santa Rosa Island Authority,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY that William H. Griffith, is commended for his outstanding performance and leadership to our community through his dedication and selfless activities for all the people of Pensacola Beach, Escambia County and the surrounding communities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be made part of the official records of the Santa Rosa Island Authority and that a copy be presented to William H. Griffith and to the media.

Presented this the 14th day of February, 2007.

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Jimmie Perkins was appointed to serve on the Santa Rosa Island Authority board in October 2002 and served until November 2006, and

WHEREAS, Jimmie Perkins has served as Secretary-Treasurer and chairman for various committees during his years of service to the community including Hurricanes Ivan and Dennis, and

WHEREAS, Jimmie Perkins has provided guidance and leadership to the Santa Rosa Island Authority during his term of service on the board, and

WHEREAS, Jimmie Perkins has proven his committment to the management and development of Pensacola Beach for the betterment of all the citizens of Escambia County and the surrounding communities,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SANTA ROSA

ISLAND AUTHORITY that Jimmie Perkins, is commended for his outstanding performance and leadership to our community through his dedication and selfless activities for all the people of Pensacola Beach, Escambia County and the surrounding communities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be made part of the official records of the Santa Rosa Island Authority and that a copy be presented to Jimmie Perkins and to the media.

Presented this the 14th day of February, 2007.

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