

PENSACOLA BEACH
SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY

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1-2. A regularly scheduled meeting of the Authority was held on Wednesday, August 3, 2005 beginning at 5:00 p.m. Members in attendance were: Mr. Bill Griffith, Mr. Thom Blas, Mr. McGuire Martin, Mr. Jimmie Perkins, Dr. Thomas Campanella, and Mr. Vernon Prather. Mr. Griffith, Chairman, called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Upon motion of Mr. Blas, seconded by Mr. Martin, the board unanimously approved the minutes of the regular board meeting of July 6, 2005. (6-0)**

Upon motion of Mr. Perkins, seconded by Mr. Blas, the board unanimously approved the minutes of the special board meeting of July 20, 2005. (6-0)

4-5. CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Upon motion of Mr. Blas, seconded by Mr. Martin, the agenda was unanimously adopted with the following changes: Added a Resolution of Recognition for Mr. Monte E. Blews to immediately follow the Chairman's Comments; added Item #11 to New Business regarding approval of the Disaster Relief Funding Agreement for Hurricane Dennis. (6-0)

6. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Upon motion of Mr. Griffith, seconded by Mr. Blas, the board unanimously approved adding a Moment of Meditation to the regular board agenda following the Pledge of Allegiance. (6-0)

7. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

A. RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION – MR. MONTE E. BLEWS

Mr. Griffith read a resolution of recognition for Mr. Monte Blews, commending him for his service as General Manager to the Santa Rosa Island Authority from 1992 until 2005, and presented the resolution to Mr. and Mrs. Monte E. Blews.

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B. SPIRIT OF PENSACOLA BEACH AWARD – MR. HARRY G. GOWENS

Mr. Griffith said that Mr. Gowens could not be present, but recognized his daughter and son, Ms. Joann Faddis and Mr. Glenn Gowens, who were present to accept the award on behalf of their father. Mr. Griffith then read the resolution of recognition.

Upon motion of Mr. Blas, seconded by Dr. Campanella, the board unanimously adopted the resolutions of recognition for Mr. Monte E. Blews and Mr. Harry G. Gowens (copies attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof). (6-0)

8. SPECIAL ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mr. Bill Griffith resigned as Chairman of the Santa Rosa Island Authority, and made the motion that Mr. Thom Blas assume the duties of the Chairman. Mr. Martin seconded the motion and a discussion followed.

Upon motion of Mr. Griffith, seconded by Mr. Martin, the board unanimously voted to elect Mr. Thomas E. Blas to the office of Chairman for the Santa Rosa Island Authority. (6-0)

Upon motion of Mr. Blas, seconded by Mr. Martin, the board unanimously voted to elect Mr. Bill Griffith as Vice-Chairman of the Santa Rosa Island Authority. (6-0)

9. PENSACOLA BEACH RESIDENTS & LEASEHOLDERS ASSOCIATION REPORT

Mr. Gary Smith, President of the Pensacola Beach Resident's and Leaseholders' Association, reported that the membership meetings for the association had been moved to the Pensacola Beach Community Church effective with the next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 9, 2005, at 6:00 p.m.

10. PENSACOLA BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

Ms. Sandy Johnston, Manager of the Pensacola Beach Visitor's Information Center, reported that the Chamber was in the process of packing the contents of their office in plastic containers due to damages received during Hurricane Dennis, and she had contacted the Florida Chamber and the Chamber of Commerce Executives for the State of Florida for assistance in acquiring a temporary facility for use during repairs.

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REGULAR AGENDA

11. NEW BUSINESS

Item #1 – Mr. John Ehrenreich – 460 Pensacola Beach Blvd. – Request for approval to continue operating light seaplane from existing concession

Ms. Mary Bolman reviewed the request, stating that staff recommended extending the light sea plane operation through December 2005, subject to continued compliance with all applicable rules and regulations, as well as reporting of all revenue and payment of percentage fees through Bonifay Watersports.

Upon motion of Dr. Campanella, seconded by Mr. Martin, the board unanimously approved the request by Mr. John Ehrenreich, 460 Pensacola Beach Blvd., for approval to continue operating a light seaplane from the existing concession through December 2005, subject to continued compliance with all applicable rules and regulations, as well as reporting of all revenue and payment of percentage fees through Bonifay Watersports. (6-0)

Item #2 – Proposed “draft” Amendments to the following sections of Article 13 of the Escambia County Land Development Code:

- a) Section 13.20.00, Floodplain management
- b) Section 13.03.01, Sound front setbacks in low density residential zones
- c) Section 13.15.00(A) & (C), Application of building heights

Ms. Debbie Norton requested that this item be referred to the August 10, 2005 committee meetings.

Item #3 – Linda Hinson – Danny Kepner – Trustee for Panferio Land Trust – 1315 Panferio Drive – Lot 1, Block 52, Villa Segunda – adjacent to Santa Rosa Sound - Request for the following variances to construct a new residential structure, replacing a structure that was destroyed by Hurricane Ivan

- a) 30 foot variance to the 50 foot water side setback
- b) 12 foot variance to the 30 foot front yard setback

Ms. Sue Smith reviewed the background on the request and stated that staff recommended approval of a ten foot front setback variance and a twenty foot rear, water side setback variance subject to final action by the Escambia County Board of Adjustments. Ms. Smith said that the staff recommendation revised the variance requests in keeping with the proposed changes to Article 13, previously mentioned. A

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discussion followed during which Ms. Norton noted that a shoreline protection standard was in place.

Upon motion by Mr. Perkins, seconded by Dr. Campanella, the board unanimously approved a ten foot front setback variance and a twenty foot water side setback variance for Ms. Linda Hinson and Mr. Danny Kepner, to construct a new residential structure at 1315 Panferio Dr., replacing a structure that was destroyed by Hurricane Ivan, subject to final action by the Escambia County Board of Adjustments. (6-0)

Item #4 – Kahaleve, LLC – 213 Panferio Drive – Lot 6, Block 4, Villa Primera – adjacent to Santa Rosa Sound – Request for the following variances to construct a new residential structure, replacing a structure that was destroyed by Hurricane Ivan

- a) 18 foot variance to the 30 foot front yard setback
- b) 23 foot variance to the 50 foot water side setback.

Ms. Smith reviewed the request and stated that staff recommended approval of the request, as presented, since the new structure would not be constructed outside the footprint of the previous structure, subject to final action by the Escambia County Board of Adjustments.

Upon motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Perkins, the board unanimously approved the request by Kahaleve, LLC, 213 Panferio Drive, for an 18' front setback variance and a 23' rear, water side setback variance to construct a new residential structure, replacing a structure that was destroyed by Hurricane Ivan, subject to final action by the Escambia County Board of Adjustments. (6-0)

Item #5 - Jennifer Byrom – 305 Panferio Drive – Lot 2, Block 5, Villa Primera – adjacent to Santa Rosa Sound – Request for the following variances to construct a new residential structure, replacing a structure that was destroyed by Hurricane Ivan

- a) 5 foot variance to the 30 foot front yard setback
- b) 30 foot variance to the 50 foot water side setback

Ms. Smith said that staff recommended approval of a ten foot front setback variance and a twenty foot rear, water side setback variance, subject to final action by the Escambia County Board of Adjustments.

Upon motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Perkins, the board unanimously approved a ten foot front setback variance and a twenty foot rear, water side, setback variance for Ms. Jennifer Byrom, 305 Panferio Drive, to construct a new residential structure, replacing a structure that was destroyed by Hurricane Ivan,

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subject to final action by the Escambia County Board of Adjustments. (6-0)

Item #6 – Revisions to Hurricane Ivan Damage Restoration Policy

Ms. Bolman reviewed the proposed changes to the Hurricane Ivan Damage Restoration Policy, noting that the policy had been revised to accommodate structures damaged by Hurricane Dennis. She said staff recommended approval of the revisions with one change to the deadline for debris removal, clean-up, and securing policy to September 19, 2005, in keeping with the deadline set by the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners. A discussion followed during which the Manager said that additional information would be presented at the committee meetings on August 10, 2005 regarding the details of the ongoing debris removal project.

Upon motion of Mr. Perkins, seconded by Mr. Prather, the board unanimously adopted the revised Post Ivan-Dennis Damage Restoration Policy, as presented by staff. (6-0)

Item #7 – Revisions to Policy for Post-Ivan Temporary Living Facilities and Temporary Storage Containers

Ms. Bolman said staff recommended approval of the revisions to the existing temporary living facility policy to enable additional temporary living facilities and temporary storage containers for leaseholders whose primary residences had been made uninhabitable by Hurricane Dennis. She said that staff further recommended that the action of the board be forwarded to the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners for their consideration in developing an ordinance to govern the temporary living facilities. A discussion followed.

Upon motion of Mr. Griffith, seconded by Mr. Martin, the board unanimously approved revisions to the Policy for Post-Ivan Temporary Living Facilities and Temporary Storage Containers to include allowances for temporary living facilities and temporary storage containers as a result of Hurricane Dennis. (6-0)

Item #8 – Definition of a Residential Business Regulation

Ms. Bolman reviewed the proposed regulation and said staff recommended approval of the regulation, as presented by legal counsel. A discussion followed.

Upon motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Griffith, the board unanimously approved the regulation for Definition of a Residential Business, as presented. (6-0)

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Item #9 – Report on Financial Statements and Expenditures

Ms. Nita Omley presented the report on financial statements and expenditures.

Upon motion of Mr. Griffith, seconded by Dr. Campanella, the board unanimously accepted the Report on Financial Statements and Expenditures. (6-0)

Item #10 – FY 2006 Budget

The Manager presented the FY 2006 Budget, noting that staff recommended approval of the 2006 Budget, as presented, and in the event that actual revenues exceed the amount budgeted, staff recommends that they be given the flexibility to use contingency monies, up to \$100,000, to fund unforeseen or essential costs not included in the 2006 Budget. A discussion followed.

Upon motion of Mr. Griffith, seconded by Mr. Martin, the board unanimously approved the FY 2006 Budget, as presented and further authorized staff to use contingency monies (up to \$100,000) to fund unforeseen or essential costs not included in the 2006 Budget should actual revenues exceed the amount budgeted. (6-0)

Item #11 – Hurricane Dennis Disaster Relief Funding Agreement

Ms. Debbie Norton noted that the Hurricane Dennis Disaster Relief Funding Agreement was similar to the agreement previously executed following Hurricane Ivan and provided for a cost share between the Authority and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). She said that staff recommended that the board authorize the chairman to sign the agreement, and a discussion followed regarding the cost share.

Upon motion of Mr. Griffith, seconded by Mr. Prather, the board unanimously approved authorizing the Chairman to sign the Hurricane Dennis Disaster Relief Funding Agreement, as presented, and authorized staff to continue to look into more favorable cost sharing. (6-0)

12. REPORTS

A. MANAGER'S REPORT

The Manager reviewed some of the activities with which he had been involved, noting that he had primarily been working on issues related to Hurricane Dennis.

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B. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Matt Dannheisser, SRIA legal counsel, said that his report was published for the information of the board.

C. ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Dave Hemphill, SRIA engineering representative, reported on the road improvement project, noting that APAC was scheduled to begin their portion of the project on September 9, and Via de Luna road improvements were scheduled to begin around August 24, pending the contractor's previous commitment to the debris removal project. He said the storm water improvements were scheduled to begin around August 17. Mr. Hemphill then reviewed the FEMA-funded projects on which he was working.

Mr. Hemphill then called attention to a proposal he distributed to require that all new cable and electrical services be installed underground. A discussion followed.

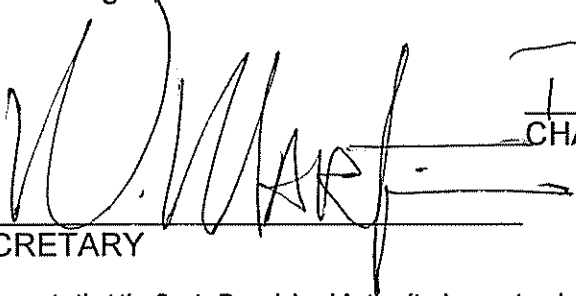
Upon motion of Dr. Campanella, seconded by Mr. Perkins, the board unanimously approved that it is the intention of the board to adopt a regulation limiting overhead power connections and requiring, in some instances, underground power connections to the residence; and that the matter be referred to staff to come to the board with a recommendation to do so; and from this point until the recommendation is implemented, that a moratorium be adopted pending that regulation consistent with Item 2 of the proposal by Mr. Hemphill (copy attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof). (6-0)

13. VISITORS FORUM


No members of the audience wished to address the board during Visitor's Forum. Chairman, Thom Blas, thanked the board for placing him in a position of trust. He also recognized the staff and Manager of the Authority, as well as Bill Griffith, the immediate past Chairman.

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There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.



SECRETARY



CHAIRMAN

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Mr. Monte E. Blews joined the Santa Rosa Island Authority in September 1992 as Assistant to the General Manager, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Blews became General Manager in June 1993 and served with distinction in that position until June 1, 2005, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Blews lead the Island Authority staff through the difficult days after Hurricanes Erin, Opal and Ivan, helping to restore Pensacola Beach to the beach's pre-hurricane conditions before Erin and Opal, and

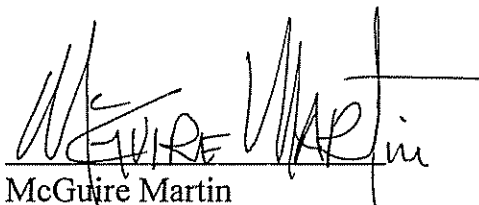
WHEREAS, Mr. Blews was also instrumental in the beautification of Pensacola Beach through road improvement projects, landscaping and development of a new performance pavilion at Casino Beach, and


WHEREAS, Mr. Blews through hard work, dedication and skill assisted the Island Authority board and the Authority's staff in protecting and enhancing Pensacola Beach,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY that Mr. Blews is commended for his dedication to the residents and leaseholders of Pensacola Beach, Escambia County and the surrounding community for his outstanding performance and leadership.

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 Mr. Blews and to the media.

Presented this the 3rd day of August, 2005.


McGuire Martin
Secretary


William H. Griffith
Chairman

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Harry G. Gowens (Harry) is one of the original pioneers on Pensacola Beach, taking residence in paradise on Santa Rosa Island as the residential development was beginning to accelerate in the 1960's, and

WHEREAS, Harry took part in the initial development of Pensacola Beach by developing a large portion of the eastern half of Pensacola Beach which has become an integral part of the "community" of Pensacola Beach, and

WHEREAS, Harry exhibited his sense of community by founding the Pensacola Beach Elementary School, loaning his residence for use as the first elementary school, and

WHEREAS, Harry served as member of the Santa Rosa Island Authority board from November 1992 until December 1995, during which time he donated his monthly stipend to the Pensacola Beach Elementary School, and

WHEREAS, Harry was crowned the first King of the Krewe of Wrecks, as Mardi Gras began on Pensacola Beach in 1980, and

WHEREAS, Harry is one of the original Pensacola Beach Wooly Boogers, having established his reputation as such by continued tales which shall not be repeated, and has entertained both residents and visitors to Pensacola beach with stories and antics that shall be matched by no other, and

WHEREAS, Harry is the one and only recipient of the award for Pensacola Beach Bum of the Millennium, having been so named in the year 2000, and

WHEREAS, Harry has established through the years that in addition to his reputation as a unique and interesting character, he is also known for his generosity and willingness to support others in need, as well as the many humanitarian causes he has supported during his experiences as part of Pensacola Beach,


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Rosa Island Authority hereby recognizes, commends, and honors Harry G. Gowens for his contributions of time, talent and character to Pensacola Beach and hereby bestows upon Harry G. Gowens the first "Spirit of Pensacola Beach" award in honor of his dedication to and support of Pensacola Beach, and his special spirit that embodies the characteristics that make Pensacola Beach unique.

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

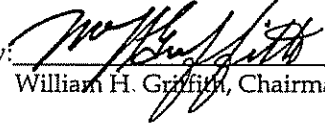
Adopted this 3rd day of August 2005.

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ATTEST:



W. McGuire Martin, Secretary

By: 

William H. Griffith, Chairman

Underground Electrical Services at Pensacola Beach

Proposed Change: All new electrical service connections on Pensacola Beach shall be installed underground.

Background: As part of the roadway improvement work on Via DeLuna and Ft. Pickens Road, Gulf Power is modifying their properties. On Via DeLuna, Gulf moved their overhead lines to the north side of the right-of-way and is installing their roadway crossings at Via DeLuna in underground sleeves. On Ft. Pickens Road, Gulf is installing their distribution lines in a concrete duct bank under the new bike path.

This proposed change will insure that as new construction occurs, the lines from Gulf Power properties to the new meter will be installed underground. This includes any location on Pensacola Beach, not just Via DeLuna and Ft. Pickens Road. Also, this change is not dependent upon Gulf Power lines being underground - the change will apply to all new service connections.

The result will be that over time, all overhead service lines will be converted to underground installation. It would be counterproductive to spend money installing some lines underground, only to have the new connections installed overhead after the fact.

Cost: This proposal will not require any additional costs from the SRIA or Gulf Power. Leaseholders and business will be required to install their services underground (trenching). However, no weatherhead will be needed at the new connection point. Thus, if the work is done for only new installations, the cost to the leaseholder could be:

An average cost differential between overhead and underground power service includes:

- a. The difference in the cable versus trenching costs, usually \$700 to \$1000 paid to Gulf Power.
- b. The credit from the residential electrician for not installing the weatherhead (\$350 – 500).
- c. The cost differential for Mediacom: \$65 underground versus \$30 overhead.

Thus, a typical cost could fall in the range of an additional \$230 to \$685.

Recommendation: If the Board finds that it is in the best interest of the SRIA to complete the underground installation of utility lines, a motion for the following is needed:

- 1. Adopt a regulation that all new overhead services on Pensacola Beach are installed underground.**
- 2. Adopt a pending regulation moratorium for approval of new permit applications for any overhead utility connection, including:**
 - a. New service connections**
 - b. Storm damaged service connections which require a new permit**
- 3. Include the proposed regulation into the County's Land Development Code as it applies to Pensacola Beach.**