



**SANTA ROSA
ISLAND AUTHORITY**

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
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5:00 P.M.**

1-3. A regularly scheduled meeting of the Santa Rosa Island Authority was held on Wednesday December 10, 2014, beginning at 5:02 p.m. Members in attendance were: Dr. Thomas Campanella, Mr. Jerry Watson, Mr. Dave Pavlock, Ms. Janice Gilley, Ms. Karen Sindel, and Ms. Tammy Bohannon, Chair. Chairwoman Bohannon led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of meditation.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Regular Board Meeting – 11/12/2014)**

Upon motion of Mr. Dave Pavlock seconded by Mr. Jerry Watson, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting (11/12/2014) as presented. (6-0)

5. **CHAIRWOMAN'S COMMENTS**

Ms. Bohannon reminded everyone the Committee meetings would follow directly after the Regular Board Meeting. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

6. **CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

There were no changes or additions.

7. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Upon motion of Mr. Jerry Watson seconded by Dr. Thomas Campanella, the Board unanimously adopted the agenda as presented. (6-0)

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8. PENSACOLA BEACH VISITOR'S INFORMATION CENTER

Ms. Nicole Stacey presented her report to the Board.

Ms. Bohannon praised the Chamber for a wonderful beach Christmas Parade.

Mr. Pavlock introduced the visitors from the Ukraine that were in the audience.

9. SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY CARR, RIGGS AND INGRAM

Mr. Alan Jowers reviewed the results of the audit and stated they were giving a clean audit opinion, with no major adjustments needed.

The Board asked a few questions.

Upon motion of Mr. Dave Pavlock seconded by Ms. Janice Gilley, the Board unanimously voted to accept the audit findings. (6-0)

CONSENT AGENDA

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. ARCHITECTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE, (11/19/2014) MS. JANICE GILLEY, CHAIR, MR. JERRY WATSON AND DR. THOMAS CAMPANELLA, MEMBERS

Item # 1 - Boyd Young, LLC– Lot 13 & 14, Block 9, Villa Segunda, 913 Ariola – Request to construct an in ground swimming pool with an encroachment of 2' into the East side setback and 14'-3" into rear yard setback. (Staff report by Paolo Ghio)

The Committee unanimously approved staff's recommendation.

Item # 2 - Chi K. & Thanh Q. Nguyen– Lot 16, Block 50, Villa Segunda, 1215 Via de Luna – Request to construct an in ground swimming pool with an encroachment of 19' into the 25' East side setback. (Staff report by Paolo Ghio)

The Committee unanimously approved staff's recommendation.

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Item # 3 – Request by Robert Rinke, Pensacola Beach Holdings, LLC – 10 Portofino Drive – to construct a larger sign than the one that is currently in place. (Staff report by Paolo Ghio)

This item was pulled by the leaseholder.

B. DEVELOPMENT & LEASING COMMITTEE, (11/19/2014) MR. DAVE PAVLOCK AND MR. JERRY WATSON, MEMBERS

Item # 1 – Request by Amy Gruszczynski, Beach Buns and Dawgs, LLC – Mobile vendor at Park East and Park West – to renew the Mobile Vendor License Agreement. (Staff report by Robbie Schrock)

The Committee unanimously approved staff's recommendation.

C. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE, (11/19/2014) MS. TAMMY BOHANNON, CHAIR, DR. THOMAS CAMPANELLA AND MS. JANICE GILLEY, MEMBERS

Item # 1 – Report on Financial Statements and Expenditures. (Staff report by Dottie Ford)

The Committee unanimously accepted the Report on Financial Statements and Expenditures as presented.

Upon motion of Dr. Thomas Campanella seconded by Mr. Jerry Watson, the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda as presented. (6-0)

REGULAR AGENDA

11. OLD BUSINESS

Item # 1 – Request by William “Cadillac” Banks to hold the 2015 Gulf Coast Summer Festival. (Report by Mike Stebbins)

Mr. Stebbins told the Board we had reached an agreement with Mr. Banks on the Public Facilities Use Agreement, and Mr. Banks had provided the required site plan and Exhibit B. He stated Mr. West had signed off on everything, as well.

Mr. Pavlock asked if Mr. West could offer his opinion.

Mr. West said he is fine with where everything is at this point.

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Ms. Gilley asked if there is a bond required.

Ms. Stebbins stated yes, a \$10,000.00 performance bond is required.

Upon motion of Mr. Dave Pavlock seconded by Mr. Jerry Watson, the Board unanimously approved the Public Facilities Use Agreement for the 2015 Gulf Coast Summerfest. (6-0)

Item # 2 – Discussion regarding the expired RFP documents for a Community Planner. (Staff report by Executive Director Buck Lee)

Mr. Lee gave the backup on this item and told the Board no one picked up the RFP for a Community Planner. He stated he had been contacted by Vikki Garrett, with the West Florida Regional Planning Council (WFRPC), and suggested the SRIA have her return to the January Committee meeting to give an unbiased opinion on the possibilities for the future on the Island.

SPEAKER:

Vikki Garrett – She is with the WFRPC and stated the SRIA could contract directly with them to do a scope of services.

Ms. Gilley asked if the WFRPC could help if the SRIA established a committee to work on this, and Ms. Garrett said they could help and they could hold and run the public meetings.

Ms. Gilley asked for a ballpark figure of cost.

Ms. Garrett stated usually the client brings a budget and then they negotiate.

Ms. Bohannon stated she is not familiar with WFRPC and asked how they were funded.

Ms. Garrett stated they were funded at the local, state, and federal level.

Ms. Bohannon questioned if the WFRPC could be unbiased, and was told, "absolutely".

Mr. Pavlock stated he was cynical and stated the Board already had ideas of how to move forward. He asked how will the WFRPC tell the SRIA something we don't already know?

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Ms. Garrett stated the SRIA could identify different scenarios and the WFRPC could evaluate them and bring back recommendations.

Dr. Campanella stated it would be an exploratory event initially, until it was understood where our funding comes from and what we do.

Ms. Gilley stated the whole point is to get input from someone other than the SRIA Board.

There was much discussion as to which should come first, figuring out funding or figuring out what services will still be kept on the Island. All agreed Escambia County input is required.

Mr. Watson asked Ms. Garrett if she identified any problems with the RFP.

Ms. Garrett stated no, she was surprised there was no interest.

Ms. Sindel stated input from many sources, Escambia County, stakeholders, etc., was important, but it will be difficult to make everyone happy.

SPEAKER:

Terry Preston – She was representing the Pensacola Beach Advocates. She stated it was fine to bring this item back to Committee, however, she didn't want time "frittered away", and she would like to see a Committee formed, including people from the mainland.

There was discussion over forming a task force and when to bring the item back for discussion.

Dr. Campanella encouraged keeping the item in Committee, and giving Ms. Garrett time to bring a proposal back to the SRIA. He also encouraged a smaller number of people to serve on the committee or task force. He stated many stakeholders would have a financial interest and only look out for themselves, not the overall picture.

Upon amended motion of Dr. Thomas Campanella seconded by Ms. Karen Sindel, the Board unanimously approved to have WFRPC to the January 14, 2015 Regular Board meeting to present a proposal/draft scope of work to the Board. (6-0)

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Speaker:

Ron Ellington – He was representing Innisfree. He stated time is not our friend on this matter and that Escambia County is ready to start talking about what the SRIA can start moving over to them. He stated the County acknowledges they owe the Island parity. He suggested 5 people, SRIA, BCC (but not Commissioner Robinson) a residential leaseholder, a commercial leaseholder, and a lodging representative, go and start talking to the County as to who will take responsibility for what on the Island.

Mr. Stebbins stated forming a committee could slow things down, he suggested SRIA staff could engage much more quickly.

There was discussion as to which way would be quicker, and Sunshine Laws.

Ms. Bohannon suggested staff could start talking to the County, while the Board waits on the proposal from WFRPC.

Dr. Campanella stated staff could identify what the County could take over, and talk to Board members, who in turn could talk to their respective Commissioners to see what they were willing to commit to.

Ms. Sindel suggested meeting with Amy Lovoy.

Mr. Lee stated he would go meet with Ms. Lovoy.

Ms. Sindel and Mr. Ellington stated they both wanted to be present, as well, in the meeting with Ms. Lovoy.

Mr. Pavlock stated he is not ready to appoint a 5 person Committee at this time.

Much discussion was held regarding the level of services that should/will be offered, and what services will be expected. There was also much discussion on how many people should serve on a committee and from which areas they should be chosen.

Mr. Pavlock asked Mr. Stebbins to research if the SRIA even has the authority to change, reduce or drop lease fees.

12. REPORTS

A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Lee submitted his report for the review of the Board. He asked the Board to

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approve the Chairwoman signing the agreement with the State so the funds could be released for the nourishment project.

Upon motion of Dr. Thomas Campanella seconded by Mr. Dave Pavlock, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Chairwoman signing the agreement with the State regarding matching funds for the nourishment project. (6-0)

Mr. Lee asked the board what their preference would be on signage for the new VIC.

Much discussion followed regarding the exact wording of the sign, the size of the sign, and whether or not to put a logo on the sign.

Speaker:

Beverly Campbell – She spoke on behalf of the Pensacola Beach Chamber. She stated the Chamber Board recommends “Pensacola Beach Visitor’s Information Center.”

Mr. Lee explained the more writing they put on the sign, the smaller it will have to be, due to Land Development Codes.

Mr. Ghio explained the sign would go on the street side of the building.

After much more discussion, Mr. Ghio agreed to email different versions to the Board for their review.

Mr. Pavlock questioned if there would be skirting around the bottom of the new building, and Mr. Ghio stated there would be a green vinyl fence, as well as shrubbery.

B. ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Mr. Stebbins submitted his monthly report for the review of the Board.

Ms. Sindel asked if the Board was notified when there are public records requests.

Mr. Stebbins stated he reports that he is assisting staff on a request, not necessarily the nature of the request.

C. ENGINEER’S REPORT

Mr. Langston submitted his monthly report for the review of the Board.

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D. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR REPORT

Mr. Ghio presented his monthly report for the review of the Board.

13. VISITOR'S FORUM

There were no speakers.

14. BOARD MEMBER'S FORUM

Mr. Pavlock complained he had to pay a \$3.00 service fee on a toll road to Niceville, to cover the charge of electronic reader system. He encouraged the Board to tell Escambia County they were not in favor of such a system for Pensacola Beach.

Upon motion of Mr. Dave Pavlock seconded by Dr. Thomas Campanella, the Board unanimously voted to send a letter to Escambia County stating they were not in favor of an unmanned facility where there is a service fee attached to any fee for coming onto Pensacola Beach thru the toll plaza. (6-0)

15. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Lee presented a plaque to Ms. Bohannon for her service as Chairwoman of the Board for 2014. He then explained the process for the election of officers.

Dr. Campanella presented the following slate: Ms. Janice Gilley, Chair, Mr. Dave Pavlock, Vice-Chair, Dr. Thomas Campanella, Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Jerry Watson, Acting Secretary-Treasurer. Ms. Gilley respectfully declined the Chairwoman position.


Dr. Campanella presented the following slate: Mr. Dave Pavlock, Chair, Dr. Thomas Campanella, Vice-Chair, Mr. Jerry Watson, Secretary-Treasurer, Ms. Karen Sindel, Acting Secretary-Treasurer. This slate failed a 2-4 vote, with Dr. Thomas Campanella and Mr. Jerry Watson voting favorably.

The following slate was presented By Ms. Janice Gilley: Ms. Tammy Bohannon, Chairwoman, Mr. Dave Pavlock, Vice Chair, Dr. Thomas Campanella, Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Jerry Watson, Acting Secretary-Treasurer. This slate passed, 4-2, with Dr. Thomas Campanella and Mr. Jerry Watson voting in the negative.

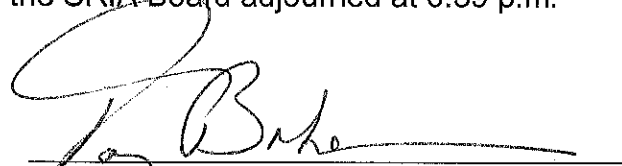
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16. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairwoman Bohannon declared the Regular Board Meeting of the SRIA Board adjourned at 6:39 p.m.



SECRETARY



CHAIRWOMAN

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