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MARCH 30, 2016**

1-3. A Special Board Meeting of the Santa Rosa Island Authority was held on Wednesday, March 30, 2016, beginning at 6:18 p.m. Members in attendance were: Mr. Dave Pavlock, Dr. Thomas Campanella, Mr. Jerry Watson, Ms. Janice Gilley, Ms. Karen Sindel and Ms. Tammy Bohannon. Chair Pavlock called the meeting to order.

4. Item # 1 – Discussion on leases.

Mr. Pavlock asked the thoughts of the Board Members after the town hall meeting.

Dr. Campanella said staff was going to look at their budgets, and he didn't know the results of that yet, but in light of the outcome of last lawsuit, he doesn't believe there should be any more reduction in lease fees this year. He wants to freeze where we are (in lease fees) and see what happens. He is encouraged about the future for the SRIA.

Mr. Watson stated residential and commercial leaseholders want to maintain services, but wondered how staff felt about another reduction. He wants staff to let him know what services can still be rendered.

Mr. Pavlock thinks staff is waiting on the Board to direct them, and said there is a misconception that since the SRIA has less staff, that less money is needed to run the SRIA, and that isn't true. He said a year is needed to judge where things stand.

Ms. Sindel said it's a complex issue, that we are a government, but needed to think like a business. She stated the SRIA needs to continue to be conservative. She wants the Board to analyze the budget, and not try cut a specific percentage.

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Ms. Gilley wants Mr. Stebbins to clearly delineate the statutory responsibilities the SRIA has, and state what authority does the SRIA actually have. She wants a matrix from Mr. Stebbins, clearly stating what the County provides and what the SRIA provides. She said there are services that the SRIA has to provide, according to statute, and the SRIA has a lot of power given to them by leases. She doesn't think the budget needs to be changed until perhaps next year, given the recent court action.

Ms. Bohannon said the SRIA has done an excellent job of operating in the black, and the statute says the land can't be taxed. She feels the leases will be "renegotiated" and the SRIA will be present for many more years. She pointed out all the expenses Escambia County has currently, including storm water issues and the need for a new jail. Ms. Bohannon is concerned about the reclaimed water issues on the Island. She stated further lease fee reductions would be irresponsible at this time. She feels the court ruling will result in many more lawsuits being filed. She wants to let the dust settle, but still address the inequities with Master Leaseholders.

Mr. Pavlock wants to stabilize the budget.

Discussion followed:

- erosion at Park West
- road maintenance (SRIA or County?)
- questions from town hall meeting regarding Bands on the Beach (Ms. Schrock will send reports to Board regarding studies that have already been done that include Bands on the Beach data)

Mr. Pavlock encouraged each Board Member to talk to their Commissioner about the discussions from tonight's meeting.

Ms. Gilley stated nourishment needs to be part of the matrix

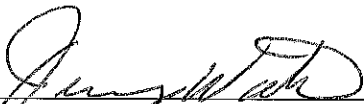
Upon motion of Ms. Janice Gilley seconded by Ms. Karen Sindel, the Board unanimously approved directing Mr. Stebbins, working with staff, to create a matrix regarding what the SRIA's responsibilities are, according to the statute, as well as clarifying exactly what Escambia County is responsible for, to be brought back to a Special Board Meeting on April 27, 2016 for review.

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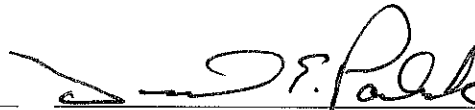
5. ADJOURN

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Pavlock declared the Special Board Meeting of the SRIA Board adjourned at 7:09 p.m.



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CHAIRMAN

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