

PENSACOLA BEACH
SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY

Board Members:

Thomas Campanella
Chairman

Tammy Bohannon
Vice-Chairwoman

Fred Gant
Secretary/Treasurer

Janice Gilley
Acting Secretary/Treasurer

Elwyn Guernsey
Dave Pavlock

W. A. "Buck" Lee
Executive Director

SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY
PENSACOLA BEACH, FLORIDA
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 25, 2013

1-3. A Special Board Meeting of the Santa Rosa Island Authority was held on Wednesday, September 25, 2013, beginning at 5:45 p.m. Members in attendance were: Chairman Thomas Campanella, Mr. Dave Pavlock, Mr. Ed Guernsey, Mr. Fred Gant and Ms. Janice Gilley. Ms. Tammy Bohannon was absent. Chairman Campanella called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of meditation.

4. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chairman Campanella requested to add the following items for discussion: Pensacola Beach Airshow and Visit Pensacola Board representation.

Upon motion of Mr. Ed Guernsey seconded by Ms. Janice Gilley, the Board unanimously approved amendment of the agenda. (5-0)

Upon motion of Mr. Fred Gant seconded by Mr. Dave Pavlock, the Board unanimously approved adoption of the amended agenda. (5-0)

Item # 1 - Discussion of the lease agreement for storage facilities. (Report by Mike Stebbins)

Mr. Stebbins gave background on the item.

Discussion followed regarding leasing vs. purchasing.

Mr. Stebbins pointed out the Board did not approve a lease purchase agreement or the right of first refusal clause in the previously proposed agreement.

Mr. Guernsey asked if the SRIA wanted to purchase the property, rather than leasing it, would the SRIA have to go out for an RFP.

SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY
PENSACOLA BEACH, FLORIDA
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 25, 2013

Mr. Stebbins stated the SRIA would have to go out for an RFP if they wished to purchase property, but a lease purchase agreement and the right of first refusal clause could still be added.

SPEAKER:

Roger Ball – He is the owner of the property. He stated he would be happy to add a lease to purchase agreement into the final lease.

A motion was made by Mr. Dave Pavlock to add a lease purchase agreement and the right of first refusal to the lease, subject to legal signoff, not to return to the Board for further action. It was seconded by Ms. Janice Gilley, but was later rescinded.

Mr. Stebbins suggested the SRIA move into the facility immediately, utilizing a month-to-month agreement, and officially move in on November 1, 2013, with a finalized lease agreement.

Upon motion of Mr. Ed Guernsey seconded by Ms. Janice Gilley, the Board unanimously approved amending the lease to provide for a lease to purchase agreement, as well as the right of first refusal, to return to the October 9, 2013 Regular Board meeting for final approval.

Item # 2 – Pensacola Beach Airshow (Staff report by Robbie Schrock)

Ms. Schrock reminded the Board of the original proposal by the NAS Pensacola Morale, Welfare & Recreation. She explained the current plan was to have a concert and 3 civilian acts on NAS Friday night, November 8, 2013. (Down from 17 acts) and there was no Airshow planned at the Veteran's Park on November 11, 2013. She stated the necessary paperwork had been turned into the FAA, if the Board decided to move forward with an Airshow.

Much discussion followed.

Mr. Guernsey voiced concerns if the Board voted against an Airshow tonight, and then found out in 2 weeks the Federal Government's budget was approved, it would be too late to put on an Airshow.

Ms. Schrock stated if the Federal Budget was approved October 1, 2013, and the Blue Angels were allowed to fly, the SRIA could definitely hold an Airshow.

SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY
PENSACOLA BEACH, FLORIDA
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 25, 2013

Mr. Gant did not agree any circumstances had changed and wanted to proceed with the civilian Airshow. He stated staff should have vetted the proposal more carefully and that the Blue Angels were never promised.

Mr. Lee stated the Board had been given all the information staff had, in a timely manner. He stated the Airshow would be a wonderful success if the Blue Angels were able to fly, but at this point, no one had any idea if that was possible.

Dr. Campanella stated the original proposal by NAS Pensacola Morale, Welfare & Recreation was not entirely truthful. He stated the SRIA had been deceived and manipulated and the entire proposal had fallen apart.

Ms. Gilley stated it had been a wonderful idea, but that circumstances had changed and the SRIA Board needed to redirect.

Upon motion of Mr. Ed Guernsey seconded by Ms. Janice Gilley, the SRIA Board voted to approve holding a Pensacola Beach Airshow in November, if the Blue Angels are approved to fly. (No civilian acts included.) If the Blue Angels are not permitted to fly, there will be no Pensacola Beach Airshow. (4-1) Mr. Gant voted in the negative.

Item # 3 – Visit Pensacola, Inc. Board representation.

Mr. Lee explained the basics of the Visit Pensacola, Inc. organization. It is planned to have a 9 member Board that will decide how to spend bed tax money on promoting/advertising the area. (Pensacola Beach provides 45% of the bed tax monies given to Escambia County) He said at this point, there were to be representatives from the Pensacola Chamber and the Perdido Key Chamber and there were no plans to have representation from Pensacola Beach. He stated the Visit Pensacola, Inc. Board could easily be expanded to include 13 or 15 members. He suggested a letter be sent from the SRIA Board requesting representation on the Visit Pensacola, Inc. Board.

Much discussion followed.

Mr. Stebbins suggested the SRIA Board ask for the Visit Pensacola, Inc. bylaws (that aren't developed as of yet) reflect the allowance of the SRIA to appoint a representative to the Visit Pensacola, Inc. Board.

Mr. Gant asked (Shelley Johnson) if the Pensacola Beach Chamber would support the SRIA in the request.

SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY
PENSACOLA BEACH, FLORIDA
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 25, 2013

Ms. Johnson stated she could not speak for the Pensacola Beach Chamber Board.

Mr. Pavlock encouraged the SRIA Board to stay in close contact with their County Commissioner regarding this matter. He stated Pensacola Beach rightfully should have 2 seats on the Visit Pensacola, Inc. Board, since 45% of the bed tax monies are generated on Santa Rosa Island.

Upon motion of Ms. Janice Gilley seconded by Mr. Fred Gant, the Board unanimously approved for the SRIA to provide a letter to the Board of County Commissioners, as well as Visit Pensacola, Inc., requesting the SRIA be allowed a (Escambia County resident) designee on the Visit Pensacola, Inc. Board. (5-0)

Mr. Lee informed the Board he was working on obtaining an increased stipend for the Board Members. He explained he had to go before the state delegation in November/December of 2013. He is asking for an increase from \$400.00 a month to \$550.00 a month, with a \$50.00 increase every 5 years. He is also requesting the Chair receive an additional \$100.00 each month.

Mr. Gant stated the SRIA Board needs to make certain the RESTORE Act Committee understands that beach nourishment is very high on the priority list of projects.

Ms. Gilley explained there were lots of sources and opportunities for funding, and that NRDA takes into consideration the "loss of human use".

Mr. Lee asked for Jim Waite (Baskerville Donovan) to help the SRIA with funding sources.

Mr. Waite stated he needed a task order to move forward on this item.

Mr. Pavlock inquired when LaFitte Cove would be dredged, and was told most likely November of 2013.

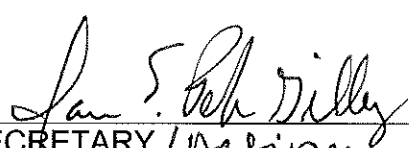
5. ADJOURN

Adjournment:

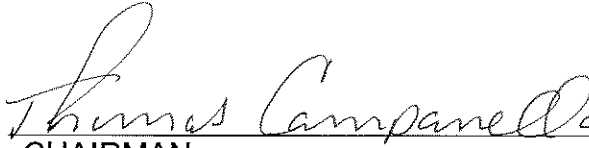
There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Campanella declared the Special Board Meeting of the SRIA Board adjourned

SANTA ROSA ISLAND AUTHORITY
PENSACOLA BEACH, FLORIDA
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 25, 2013

at 6:51 p.m.



SECRETARY / Acting



CHAIRMAN

(Please note that the Santa Rosa Island Authority does not make verbatim transcripts of its meetings, although the meetings are tape-recorded. Any person desiring a verbatim transcript of a meeting of the Santa Rosa Island Authority will need to independently secure such verbatim transcript.)