

Minutes of the Patriots Point Development Authority 529th Board Meeting, 9:30 A.M., Friday, July 15, 2022, Leadership Training Facility, Patriots Point Naval and Maritime Museum, Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina.

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Wayne Adams, *Vice Chairman*  
Pat Waters  
Mayor Will Haynie  
Darwin Simpson

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Susan Marlowe

MEMBERS PRESENT BY PHONE: Zeb Williams

STAFF PRESENT: Mac Burdette, *Interim Executive Director*  
Tiffany Sanchez, *Administrative Assistant*  
Mike Hastings, *Operations Director*  
Keith Grybowski, *Education Director*  
Nick Magar, *Finance Administrator*  
Alexis Stokes, *HR Director*  
Chris Hauff, *Director of Marketing*  
Gina Zahran, *Visitor Services Director*  
Melissa Buchanan, *Curator*  
Meredith Kablick, *Registrar*  
Terry Ansley, *Property Manager*  
Mayci Rechner, *Public Information Officer*  
Matthew George, *Marketing Manager*

OTHERS PRESENT: Bill Craver, *Legal Counsel (via phone)*  
Brandon Dermody, *The Southern Group*  
Cindy Lee, *Shipboard Director*  
Clark Chauncy, *Yorktown Foundation*

Vice Chairman Wayne Adams called the meeting of the Board to order at 9:30 A.M.

Prior to the meeting, a copy of the proposed agenda was distributed via electronic mail to the Board members, media and designated guests.

**A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Adams asked for any changes to the proposed agenda. The agenda was unanimously approved as presented.

**B. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Mr. Adams asked for any changes to the minutes presented. There being no proposed changes, the minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

### **C. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT**

Mr. Mac Burdette gave the floor to Mr. Wayne Adams who reported:

- The Governors Press Conference was on Monday July 11<sup>th</sup> and was attended by the Office of Resilience, the SC Governor McMaster, Senator Campsen, Congresswoman Mace, Mayor Haynie, council members, etc..
- The Office of Resilience will be working with our Director of Operations, Mr. Mike Hastings, on removing fuel and contaminated water from the USS Yorktown.
- An environmental study will be conducted and funding for the project will be determined thereafter.

Mr. Darwin Simpson reported the following about the Finance Committee:

- Cash-on-hand is totaling \$12.2 million dollars with a \$4 million dollar profit this year.
- Every revenue generating department is up since last year (i.e. Parking, Gift shop, Lease, Camping, etc). However, there are many foreseen expenditures coming up including recycling the Clamagore, ship maintenance, and filling open positions.

Mr. Terry Ansley reported the following about the Patriots Annex Development:

- Work is moving forward with the temporary parking lot.
- Bennett Hospitality completed the submittal for the DRT this week.
- The DHEC Land Disturbance permit is being held and will be released when the town of Mt. Pleasant DRT signs off on the MS floorplan for the separate sewer system.
- The contract for the work has been awarded to Celic & Celic.
- The start date is still scheduled for August 2022.

Mr. Burdette reported the following:

- Improvements to the intersection have already begun.
- The Municipal Association of SC will be hosting an event aboard the USS Yorktown this evening.
- Our second payment on the Laffey Loan will be submitted to Columbia via Mr. Adams.
- A one million dollar grant has been passed through the PPDA for the Medal of Honor Museum Foundation and submitted to Columbia.
- Increased Flight deck capacity should be revisited by the next Executive Director and the Board for the next 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration event.

### **D. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

### **E. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING CONTRACTUAL, LEGAL, PERSONNEL MATTERS PERTAINING TO PATRIOTS POINT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.**

Mr. Simpson made a motion to move into Executive session to discuss legal contractual obligations, and personnel matters at 9:52 A.M.. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pat Waters and passed unanimously.

Members returned from Executive session at 10:24 A.M. with no votes taken.

**F. NEXT SCHEDULED PPDA BOARD MEETING, AUGUST 19, 2022**

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tiffany Sanchez, *Recording Secretary*

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Mac Burdette, *Interim Executive Director*