

St. Augustine Port, Waterway & Beach District

Minutes of Regular Meeting

August 23, 2005

The Meeting of the Port, Waterway & Beach District was held in the St. Augustine Beach City Commission Meeting Room, 2200 A1A South, St. Augustine Beach, Florida on Tuesday, August 23, 2005 at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Jack McGuinness called the Meeting to order.

In the absence of Secretary-Treasurer Dennis Bell, Elyse Kemper from his office called the roll. Commissioners Rick Gleeson, Barry Benjamin, and Tom Rivers were in attendance. Absent was Commissioner Jerry Dixon. Also in attendance were the District's Attorney, Geoff Dobson and Engineering Consultant, Dr. Rajesh Srinivas from Taylor Engineering. In attendance from the public were: Carl Blow, Al Hirsch, Al Holmberg, Don Terrill, Ron and Barbara Wilson, Ron Radford, Jay Bliss, Daryl Poli, Bill Rosenstock and Gladys Humphreys. From the City of St. Augustine, John Regan, from the St. Augustine Police Department, Commander Steve Fricke and Shorty Robbins from the St. Johns County Recreational Department.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Although no formal motion was made, the Minutes of the Public Workshop and Regular Meeting held on June 21, 2005 were accepted as presented. The Minutes of the Public Workshop and Regular Meeting held on July 21, 2005 were changed on page 7 to reflect the word "City" instead of "County" in the paragraph referring to the \$30,000.00 offered for the Derelict Boat Program.

Ms. Kemper presented the Treasurer's Report dated July 31, 2005. She noted that there were no changes in the City Police Law Enforcement Overtime since the last Meeting. There is a balance of \$1,291,369.00 in the Florida State Board of Administration and \$10,842.00 in Wachovia Bank. Taxes budgeted for 2004-2005 totaled \$361,899.00, of which \$347,936.00 has been received, leaving an outstanding balance owed of \$13,963.00. As of August 23, 2005, the total in Wachovia Bank is \$9,280.00. The printing of the brochures totaled \$7,983.00 which was recently paid.

Chairman Jack McGuinness pointed out that the second page of the Treasurer's Report contained budgeted costs for different projects as well as non-budgeted approved costs. There were no questions relative to the Treasurer's Report.

Although it wasn't on the Agenda, Chairman Jack McGuinness asked Commander Steve Fricke to give them an update on current activities and enforcements.

Commander Steve Fricke took the podium. He explained that they had just adopted a 60-day billing cycle so billing would not be coming to the Port until the end of the summer. They are continuing with their "enhanced enforcement activities since the beginning of June". A total of 86 separate law enforcement actions have taken place on the river which the St. Augustine Port, Waterway & Beach District assisted in subsidizing. As far as the law enforcement side of the derelict vessel program is concerned, they have completed their operational requirements. All of the vessels have been identified in the Port District that are currently submerged or derelict and they have provided that information to City administration. Discussion ensued.

Dr. Rajesh Srinivas presented the Engineering Report, noting that there were three items on which to report: the St. Augustine Inlet Dredging Project, the St. Augustine Beach Nourishment Project and an update on what needs to be done in the Inlet with the jetties themselves. He circulated a handout re: the St. Augustine Inlet Dredging Project and noted that the dredging area is northwest of the Inlet. The placement will be just immediately north of the Shore Protection Project. They expect approximately 170 thousand cubic yards of sand to be placed across about