



**CAMDEN COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 21, 2022 • 5:30 PM**

Present: Chairman Terry Landreth; Vice-Chair Lili High; Commissioner Ben Casey; Mayor John Morrissey; Mayor Grayson Day; Denise Levasseur; Interim Executive Director Buck Johnsen; Assistant Director Tara Ealy; Attorney Patrick Brooks and Secretary Teresa Patterson

Absent: Commissioner Lannie Brant; Mayor Knight and Matthew Turner

Chairman Landreth called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.
Chairman Landreth delivered the invocation.
Chairman Landreth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Amendments:

Mayor Day called for amendment to add agenda item #4, Kingsland special project.

Motion to Adopt Agenda:

Vice-Chair High made a motion
Commissioner Casey seconded

The motion carried unanimously

Approval of Minutes:

Chairman Landreth asked for a motion to approve minutes, from Regular Meeting, held on March 17, 2022.

Mayor Day made a motion
Vice-Chair High seconded
Mayor Morrissey abstained

The motion carried unanimously

Public Comments:

June Maxwell, Harrietts Bluff

Ms. Maxwell asked the board for permission to distribute voting materials at the Rec Center front desk. She suggested due to the food shortage, that the PSA start community gardens at the parks. She would also like to have the restrooms unlocked at the parks.

Steve Haughn, St Marys

Mr. Haughn addressed item #1 on the agenda, gymnastics building update. The gymnastics program is one of the premiere programs that is well run and one of the best programs in the state of Georgia. There is a tidal wave coming of residents, retail, commercial and residential. To be capable of absorbing the influx the new gymnastics building will allow the space now to be given back to the staff. This will enable the staff to expand the other programs.

Eric Reyst, Kingsland

Mr. Reyst with Camden Soccer Club updated the board on the spring season. The season started earlier in March. This is the 2nd largest spring season with 415 registered kids. This brings new challenges and they are starting to outgrow the soccer facilities. Volunteers spent many hours getting everything ready for the season. Camden Soccer Club sent \$6,240 to the PSA for registration fees. Mr. Reyst is concerned with 4 wheelers entering the complex.

Denise Levasseur, Woodbine

Ms. Levasseur has past experience with community gardens and has been working toward opening a community garden in Woodbine. She would like the freedom and ability to apply for grants for the community garden. Ms. Levasseur would also like to see the restrooms open to the public on Saturday and Sunday afternoon at the parks.

Regular Agenda Item 1:

Interim Executive Director Johnsen presented the board with a bid tabulation, for the gymnastics facility. 4 contractors declined and Overholt General Contractors proposed \$2,847,432, not including impact fees. The board tasked Interim Executive Director Johnsen to gather more bids for comparison.

Mayor Morrissey inquired if this was a valid expense. Interim Executive Director stated gymnastics is the only net positive entity inside the Rec Center. The revenue could be doubled with the proper gymnasticS facilities.

Levasseur suggested looking into available properties instead of building new.

Regular Agenda Item 2:

Assistant Director Ealy presented the board with a financial report and asked if they had any questions.

The audit is moving forward with frequent communication. At the meeting in May, there will be a better understanding of when the audit will be finalized.

Assistant Director Ealy received a letter from the IRS stating that the PSA has been turned over To an offering compromise specialist and will have a response in 90 days.

Regular Agenda Item 3:

Interim Executive Director Johnsen, presented the board with a report of recent happenings at the PSA, including an update on the parks, special programs/events, aquatics, gymnastics and athletics. The report can be found be on the PSA website and Facebook page.

Regular Agenda Item 4:

Mayor Day gave notice to the PSA that the City of Kingsland has been looking into obtaining Some property on the west side of Hwy 17, for the possibility of a future small recreational park.

Adjournment:

Chairman Landreth asked for a motion to adjourn Regular Meeting.

Vice-Chair High made a motion

Commissioner Casey seconded

The motion carried unanimously

Regular Meeting adjourned at 6:36 PM

Convene Executive Session at 6:38 PM

The board discussed personnel matters.

Adjournment:

Adjourn executive session at 6:45 PM

Chairman Landreth asked for motion to convene Regular Meeting

Vice-Chair High made a motion

Commissioner Casey seconded

Convene regular meeting at 6: 47 PM

The board presented Buck Johnsen with a contract for employment, for the Executive Director's position.

Chairman Landreth made a motion

Mayor Day seconded

The motion carried unanimously

Adjournment:

Chairman Landreth asked for motion to adjourn Regular Meeting

Commissioner Casey made a motion

Vice-Chair High seconded

The motion carried unanimously

Adjournment:

Adjourn regular meeting at 6:52 PM

APPROVED IN OPEN SESSION THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 20_____.

TERRY LANDRETH, PSA CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: TERESA PATTERSON, SECRETARY