



CAMDEN COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 16, 2023 • 5:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Landreth called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

II. INVOCATION

Chairman Landreth delivered the invocation

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Landreth led the Pledge of Allegiance

IV. ROLL CALL

Chairman Terry Landreth – Present

Artie Jones, Jr. – Present

Vice-Chairman Stephen Haughn – Present

June Maxwell – Present

Commissioner Lannie Brant – Present

Jimmy Smith – Present

Mayor Grayson Day – Present

Matthew Turner – Absent

Mayor Kizzi Knight – Present

V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Haughn to approve regular meeting minutes from February 16 , 2023.

The motion carried unanimously.

VI. PRESENTATIONS

Rayonier– Project Sparkle – Bill Johnson and Robert Horton, Jr. –

Presentation was not done.

The board recognized the 17u GRPA state basketball championship team.

VII. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman Landreth called to remove item IX, A3, Rayonier – Project Sparkle from the regular agenda.

Jones made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adopt the agenda as amended.

The motion carried unanimously.

VIII. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor John Morrissey addressed the board on the PSA continuous improvement. He encouraged personnel to start thinking about the budget now and to be bold for the future of the PSA. Don't be afraid to present a plan and to ask for additional funding to take the PSA to the next level.

Mayor Morrissey applauded personnel for providing the board members with an orientation packet with policy documents.

IX. REGULAR AGENDA

A. ADMINISTRATION

The board was provided with an orientation packet. Mayor Day stated it is important that everyone make sure they read it and understand how to interact with staff. Direct information and questions should funnel down through the Chair and Executive Director.

1. The board discussed the PSA continuous improvement
2. Chairman Landreth addressed the open records act and email policy with the board. Board members are prohibited from discussing board items through email. Chairman Landreth encouraged each board member to establish a separate email from their personal email.
3. Rayonier – Project Sparkle – Item removed from agenda

B. ATHLETICS

1. Vice-Chairman Haughn was tasked with reviewing the sports provider policy. A sports provider policy would allow travel programs to use facilities within the municipalities or county. In an arrangement in return for use of facilities, a certain percentage of dues paid by players and coaches is remitted back to the PSA. Vice-Chairman Haughn believes if the PSA doesn't add this to their repertoire, they will be missing out on sports tourism.
Chairman Landreth would like to have a standardized document for all sports.

2. Executive Director Johnsen updated the board on opening day for spring sports. Opening day will be held April 10, 2023. There are 1,100 participants enrolled in tee-ball, coach pitch, baseball, softball and track.

C. FACILITIES

1. Assistant Director Ealy updated the board on the new scoreboards for Chris Gilman Stadium. She has been working with Pennie Davis, from Camden County High School. Ms. Davis has been working with the coaches to put together the exact specs. Assistant Director Ealy has a RFP and will follow the sealed bid process. It will be posted on the Georgia Procurement website and PSA website.

Jones would like to go on record saying he isn't against the new scoreboards. He and Commissioner Brant were against the bid process that was presented during the last meeting.

2. Discussion ensued on the rental policy for Chris Gilman Stadium. Executive Director Johnsen has been in contact with Attorney Brooks to provide a use of facilities contract, with release of liability.

Executive Director Johnsen has been working with an outside entity to reserve the stadium for a college football game.

Mayor Knight asked what the current rental fees for the stadium are. Executive Director Johnsen stated the fee is a \$1,000 per day.

Maxwell would like to make sure the standard for the fee is relevant. Should the fee remain the same, or should it be increased.

Mayor Day suggested to think about the upcoming year and

look at other facilities to see if we are on the same scale. If not, there needs to be some changes made.

The board tasked Executive Director Johnsen to ensure that we are in line with the rental cost of other facilities.

Mayor Day made a motion, seconded by Mayor Knight to review rental policy of the stadium and any other incidental costs.

The motion carried unanimously.

D. PARKS AND FACILITIES

1. Discussion ensued on a temporary fee schedule for the pickleball court lights. The current fee is \$25 per hour. Vice-Chairman Haughn proposed a temporary fee schedule that would be \$10 for 2 hrs.

The board suggested the pickleball organization become a sports provider.

2. Executive Director Johnsen updated the board on the Kingsland Little Catfish Creek Dog Park. The fencing will be completed by Tuesday of next week.

E. RIGHT OF WAY MOWING

Assistant Director Ealy sent out an updated pricing change to Attorney Brooks for the ROW contract with the City of St Marys. He is working on updating the contract for approval.

F. SPLOST 8 – UPDATE

Assistant Director Ealy updated the board on SPLOST 8. As of February 28th, the PSA has utilized 1.8 million of the budgeted 2.6 million. The two current SPLOST 8 projects are the St Marys Rec Park and the Little Catfish Creek Dog Park in Kingsland.

G. Grants

1. Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program – The City of St Marys did not receive the grant.

2. US Dept of Transportation – Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity also known as RAISE. Chairman Landreth signed a letter of support for PSA.

H. FINANCIAL REPORT

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

Assistant Director Ealy should have a draft for the current audit, next week.

I. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

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 on the PSA website and Facebook page.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chairman Haughn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adjourn the regular meeting.

The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn regular meeting at 6:35 PM

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

TERRY LANDRETH
PSA CHAIRMAN

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PSA SECRETARY