

**Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority
Executive & Government Relations Committee Meeting**

Minutes: Meeting of Wednesday, February 20, 2018

Present: Tamara Battles, Chair; John Carroll; Paula Nelson, Secretary/Treasurer

Absent: None

The monthly meeting of the Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority's Executive & Government Relations Committee was called to order by Commissioner Battles at 8:01 a.m. Executive Administrator, Angela Varnado called the roll. A quorum was present.

The Board heard an annual report from Willie Spears of the GAEDA Revitalization Corporation (GRC) regarding 2017 Achievements and activities of the Corporation. Mr. Spears also gave a brief over view of the 2018 activities planned. In conclusion, he informed the Board that he has submitted a resignation due to personal concerns but will remain on board in an advisory position until a suitable replacement is found. A discussion was held.

There being no further business to come before the Executive & Government Relations committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 a.m.

**Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority
Human Resources Committee Meeting**

Minutes: Meeting of Wednesday, February 20, 2018

Present: Paula Nelson; Tamara Battles, Chair

Absent: Becky Barnes

The monthly meeting of the Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority's Human Resource Committee was called to order by Commissioner Nelson at 8:19 a.m. Executive Administrator, Angela Varnado called the roll. A quorum was present.

There being no business to come before the Executive & Government Relations committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

**Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority
Administration & Legal Committee Meeting**

Minutes: Meeting of Wednesday, February 20, 2018

Present: John Carroll, Chair; Jay Sharplin

Absent: Ralph Covington

The monthly meeting of the Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority's Administration & Legal Committee was to order by Commissioner Carroll at 8:20 a.m. Executive Administrator, Angela Varnado called the roll. A quorum was present.

The Committee heard a report from John Theriot, CPA regarding the January 2018 financial statements. A discussion was held.

It was moved by Commissioner Sharplin and seconded by Commissioner Carroll to recommend approval of the January 2018 financial statements. There being no public comments, motion passed by unanimous vote.

It was moved by Commissioner Sharplin and seconded by Commissioner Carroll to recommend payment of the January 2018 accounting bill. There being no public comments, motion passed by unanimous vote.

It was moved by Commissioner Sharplin and seconded by Commissioner Carroll to recommend payment of the January 2018 legal bill. There being no public comments, motion passed by unanimous vote.

There being no further business to come before the Administration & Legal committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 a.m.

**Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority
Economic Development Committee Meeting**

Minutes: Meeting of Wednesday, February 20, 2018

Present: Paula Nelson, Chair; Jay Sharplin John Carroll;

Absent: None

The monthly meeting of the Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority's Economic Development Committee was called to order by Commissioner Nelson at 8:24 a.m. Executive Administrator, Angela Varnado called the roll. A quorum was present.

It was moved by Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to recommend amending the language in the Louisiana Boat Racing Association 2018 Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for the 2018 Boat Races to include the two events, the first being at Tunk's (May 18-20) and the second in Pineville (Sept 21-23) - There being no public comments, motion passed by 2-1 vote. Commissioner Sharplin abstained.

There being no further business to come before the Economic Development Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

**Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority
Capital Projects Committee Meeting**

Minutes: Meeting of Wednesday, February 20, 2018

Present: John Carroll; Jay Sharplin

Absent: Ralph Covington, Chair

The monthly meeting of the Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority's Capital Projects Committee was called to order by Commissioner Carroll at 8:25 a.m. Executive Administrator, Angela Varnado, called the roll. A quorum was present.

The Executive Director commented that the letter the Board requested at the last meeting to be added to the council's agenda was sent on February 8, 2018. There has been no response from the Council.

The Committee heard a report from Greg Upton, Legal Counsel regarding the sale of the Masonic Drive property. Mr. Upton stated that Mr. Hankins is apparently no longer interested in the property but he should have a definite answer by the next meeting. A discussion was held.

There being no further business to come before the Capital Projects Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 a.m.

**Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority
Operations Committee Meeting**

Minutes: Meeting of Wednesday, February 20, 2018

Present: None

Absent: Michael Caffery, Chair; Becky Barnes; Ralph Covington

The monthly meeting of the Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority's Operations Committee was called to order by Commissioner Caffery at 8:28 a.m. Executive Administrator, Angela Varnado, called the roll. A quorum was not present.

The Executive Director informed the Committee that staff is still in the process of ordering new file cabinets and chairs. The furniture has not been replaced over 10 years.

There being no further business to come before the Operations Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 a.m.

**Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority
Regular Meeting Agenda**

Minutes: Meeting of Wednesday, February 20, 2018

Present: Tamara Battles, Chair; John Carroll, Vice-Chair; Paula Nelson, Secretary/Treasurer; Jay Sharplin;

Absent: Ralph Covington; Becky Barnes; Michael Caffery

The monthly meeting of the Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority was called to order at 8:29 a.m. by Commissioner Battles. Executive Administrator, Angela Varnado called the roll. A quorum was present.

It was moved Commissioner Carroll and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to approve the February 2018 Consent Agenda:

- a) Motion to approve the minutes from the January 2018 board meeting
- b) Motion to approve payment of the January 2018 legal bill
- c) Motion to accept the January 2018 financial statements
- d) Motion to approve payment of the January 2018 accounting bill

There being no public comments, motion passed by unanimous vote.

It was moved by Commissioner Nelson and seconded by Commissioner Carroll to amend the language in the Louisiana Boat Racing Association 2018 Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for the 2018 Boat Races to include the two events, the first being at Tunk's (May 18-20) and the second in Pineville (Sept 21-23) - There being no public comments, motion passed by 2-1 vote. Commissioner Sharplin abstained.

The Executive Director commented on the document sent to the Board on October 13, 2017 and verbally reported by the Executive Director to the Board on October 24, 2017 regarding the "action items" in the March 2017 Strategic Planning Retreat. The Executive Director reiterated that the plan was long term and implantation was on going. The Board agreed and stated that another strategic retreat is not necessary at this time. The Executive Director will report on the status of item during our regular meetings.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 a.m.