

Minutes of the Patriots Point Development Authority 553rd Board Meeting, 10:00 A.M., Friday, September 13th, 2024, Patriots Point Boardroom, Patriots Point Naval and Maritime Museum, Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Wayne Adams, *Acting Chair*
Zeb Williams, *via virtual call*
Pat Waters
Darwin Simpson
Mayor Will Haynie

STAFF PRESENT:

Allison Hunt, *Executive Director*
Chris Hauff, *Chief of Staff*
Nick Magar, *Administrative Services Division Director*
Chris Coleman, *IT Director*
Chris Jones, *Operations Director*
David Coates, *Maintenance Director*
Gina Zahran, *Visitor Services Director*
Keith Grybowski, *Education Director*
Sam Elkin, *Marketing Director*
Terry Ansley, *Property Management Director*
Rob Maxwell, *Supervisor, Mechanical Shop*
Adam Gilbert, *Mechanical Shop*
John Willman, *Videographer*
Lori Held, *Administrative Coordinator*
Miranda Helton, *Registrar*

OTHERS PRESENT:

Bill Craver, *Counsel*
Brandon Dermody, *The Southern Group*
Chauncey Clark, *USS Yorktown Foundation*
Cindy Lee, *USS Yorktown Association*
Mike Bennett, *Bennett Hospitality*
Jack Bennett, *Bennett Hospitality*
Ian Duncan, *Bennett Hospitality*
James Wilson, *Womble Bond Dickinson Law Firm representing Bennett Hospitality*
Kayla Halchak-Webber, *USS Yorktown Foundation*
Meaghan Silsby, *USS Yorktown Foundation*

Acting Chair Wayne Adams called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

B. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes were unanimously approved with no changes.

C. INTRODUCTIONS

Allison Hunt highlighted the Mechanical Shop from the Maintenance Department. A video was played showcasing Patriots Point workforce development program with Trident Technical College. There is currently one apprentice in this program, Hayden Deer. David Coates introduced his staff members, praising Rob Maxwell and Adam Gilbert. Ms. Hunt called on Chris Jones, Operations Director, to introduce his new Public Safety Supervisor, William Dillard.

D. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Nick Magar reported on the monthly financial statement (sent electronically to the board prior to the meeting).

E. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Hunt reviewed several upcoming events and commemorations at Patriots Point. She referenced the board report sent electronically before the meeting for further updates.

She announced that Chris Hauff, Chief of Staff, has been honored as one of Charleston Regional Business Journal's 40 under 40.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING CONTRACTUAL AND LEGAL MATTERS PERTAINING TO PATRIOTS ANNEX DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Simpson moved to enter Executive Session to discuss property and contractual matters. Mr. Waters seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 11:29 A.M. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

H. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Simpson moved for approval of the Patriots Annex conceptual master plan dated July 19, 2024. Pat Waters seconded, and the resolution passed unanimously.

I. NEXT TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED PPDA BOARD MEETING, OCTOBER 18, 2024

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:31 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

s/Lori Held

Lori Held, *Recording Secretary*

c/Allison Hunt

Allison Hunt, *Secretary and
Executive Director*