



Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2019 ~ Lawson Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: Wallace Arnold, Scott Arnott, Patrick Garvey, Paula Hogg, Stevie Hunt, William Lewis, Scott Seymour

STAFF PRESENT: Bruce Sturk (Executive Director), Bonnie Brown (City Attorney), Annette Oakley (Clerk)

COUNCIL LIAISON PRESENT: Steve Brown, Linda Curtis

GUESTS PRESENT: Rick Dwyer (HRMFFA), Charlotte Hurd (Senator Warner's Office)

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Hogg called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the first quarterly meeting of the year.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chair Hogg stated the December 10, 2018 draft minutes were distributed for review and if there are no changes or corrections, called for a motion to approve.

ACTION: A motion was made by Patrick Garvey to approve the minutes and seconded by Scott Arnott. A roll call vote was taken, which resulted as follows:

Ayes: Arnold, Arnott, Garvey, Hogg, Hunt, Lewis, Seymour
Nays: None
Absent: Clark, Hinshaw
Abstain: None

Mr. Sturk stated several federal agencies are currently shutdown; NASA and the National Park Service due to the government shutdown.

REPORTS & BRIEFINGS:

Local Federal Area Updates:

- Langley Air Force Base: Mr. Sturk gave an update on LAFB activities:
 - **Clear Zone** - Mr. Sturk announced he and Ms. Brown have the State Grant Agreement from the Commonwealth that will provide \$700,000 in funding, that we will match, to continue land acquisition efforts. He stated we are now in Phase III of the process. He displayed the clear zone map and reported property A-R is pending. He shared, in regards to Lot 1R and 2R, the owner is not willing to sell at the appraisal amount. Both properties are approximately 90% wet. Mr. Sturk stated staff will continue to have conversations with the

owners. He stated per City Council, staff will move forward with plans to study the impacts and potential of relocating LAFB gate and closing the Armistead Avenue entrance. This would be funded by the Air Force and in the long-term, they would possibly move the clear zone southwest some. He also mentioned plans to connect Peninsula Town Center with Magruder (Coliseum Extension) to take advantage of the growth in that area.

○ **P-4 Update** – Mr. Sturk reported on the following:

- LAFB Tour – Staff from the Hampton Parks, Recreation and Leisure Services (PRLS) will be touring LAFB on March 7th to visit their golf courses, community centers, fitness facilities, etc. and see if there are opportunities to share resources.
 - Firing Range - Mr. Sturk stated Chief Sult continues talks with the Air Force to figure out a way to utilize the facility. The HPD are currently using it, but with limited use, as the Police and military have different requirements.
- Hampton Veteran Administration Medical Center (HVAMC) – Mr. Sturk stated the HVAMC will put an RFP out for bids to build a 150,000 square foot campus on the Southside for primary care of veterans. He hopes to have an update this summer.
 - Fort Monroe/National Park Service (NPS) – Mr. Sturk stated the NPS is currently closed under the federal shutdown. He stated prior to the close, Terry Brown hired a new employee, which makes three permanent positions. The new position will look at historic structures and the long-term needs, upkeep, maintenance, etc. Mr. Seymour inquired if there are any shared service opportunities between the City, HFADA and the NPS. Mr. Sturk responded, absolutely, that staff has had conversations regarding, for example, concurrent jurisdictions, as well as contracting seawall maintenance.
 - National Aeronautics & Space Administration (NASA) – Mr. Sturk stated NASA is also closed due to the federal shutdown. He stated one impact is NASA Langley uses satellite for the international space station that they need to keep constant communications from a research standpoint. He stated some work continues, such as the physical plant and fire and safety.
 - Hampton Military Affairs Committee (MAC): Mr. Sturk stated the MAC met in December and mentioned the next event, Month of the Military Child – Little Hero’s at Home, will be held in April.
 - Hampton Roads Military Federal Facilities Alliance (HRMFFA) – Mr. Dwyer reported on the following items:
 - **Federal Priorities Package**: Included in this year’s package are three items for the General Assembly; Virginia Military Installation Support Fund, restrict unmanned aerial systems around military installations, and universal spousal license reciprocity.
 - **NASA/HRMFFA Advisory Committee**: The new committee will meet February 5, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Mayor Tuck is the Chair of the committee and the focus will be strategizing on specific information to push in regards to federal priorities. Mr. Lewis inquired if HRMFFA gets support from our

local, state and federal politicians. Mr. Dwyer stated yes, they are very blessed with the support of elected officials.

- Senator Warner's Office – Charlotte Hurd stated the 115th Congress started in January, but there is not a lot of new business due to the partial government shutdown. She stated Senator Warner is working to get bipartisan support from his colleagues to open the government. Ms. Hurd reported Senator Warner introduced legislation to support federal workers getting back pay. She stated on January 17th, Senators Warner and Kaine will have a Veteran's Commonwealth Coffee at 8:30 a.m. on The Hill.

Mr. Lewis stated there should be legislation that ties congressional salaries to the government shutdown. Mr. Arnold mentioned an area that applies to us, on the contract side of the workforce, are likely to get caught up as well if there is a blackout period of the contractual period. He is certain the Senators are sensitive to this and if attention can be brought to that, it would be good. There are a lot of people in this area that this applies to, who are adversely impacted because they are federal contract employees. Mr. Lewis inquired if the recent legislation the President signed for reimbursement of furloughed employees includes contract employees. Ms. Hurd responded no it does not.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS:

Mr. Sturk mentioned, in regards to LAFB, they have received an additional eight to ten F-22s, which has also brought in 100 permanent jobs. He stated Tyndall Air Force Base will be rebuilt as an F-35 Mission, and the plan is to relocate the F-22 formal training unit to one of three locations; LAFB is at the top of the list. He stated the Strategic Basing Team will be at LAFB next week for the next phase of possible additional jets, and with that would be up to 700-800 jobs. He stated LAFB is in a good position.

Mr. Arnold suggested HFADA weigh in and support the push for this and that we are ready to impact this any way we can. Mr. Dwyer stated HRMFFA has been working with Secretary Hopkins and CODEL on the need to support this. He stated Congressman Wittman has called the Secretary of the Air Force to show support. Ms. Hurd stated Senator Warner's office is doing a letter of support. Mr. Arnold also mentioned the clear zone map could have some impact as well. Mr. Arnott agreed and stated the City and State have already invested with the clear zone. Mr. Sturk also agreed and stated the Secretary of the Air Force was here in December and met with Mayor Tuck. He stated during the conversation, the Mayor brought up the clear zone and the Secretary was very appreciative.

Ms. Hurd mentioned Senators Warner and Kaine and thirty-two colleagues did send a letter on January 10th to President Trump regarding the contractors; she briefly read the following:

Written to the Trump Administration urging directors of federal agencies to work with contractors to pay low and middle income employees for the wages they have lost during the shutdown. The Senators point out that federal contracting officers typically have existing authority that allows them to modify the terms of the contract and they are encouraging them to do so.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election of Officers - Mr. Sturk stated there is a City Council meeting on January 23rd and they will review the recommended names to be appointed to serve on this Board. He stated if the positions are filled before the next meeting, he wished Mr. Lewis and Mr. Seymour well and thanked them for serving on HFADA. Chair Hogg also thanked the two members for their service. Mr. Lewis complemented and thanked staff.

Mr. Sturk stated the officers to be elected are Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary/Treasurer. Ms. Brown stated the Board typically elects officers as a slate, but can do each office separately. She stated nominations do not need a second. Mr. Sturk also mentioned the Board can move forward with the current officers since they have only been in office a year or less.

ACTION: William Lewis made a motion that the current slate of officers roll over for another year; Paula Hogg (Chair), Patrick Garvey (Vice Chair) and Stevie Hunt (Secretary/Treasurer). Scott Seymour seconded the motion. A roll call was taken, which resulted as follows:

Ayes: Arnold, Arnott, Garvey, Hogg, Hunt, Lewis, Seymour

Nays: None

Absent: Clark, Hinshaw

Abstain: None

Mr. Garvey reminded members to turn in their conflict of interest forms.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chair Hogg adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

Stevie Hunt
Secretary/Treasurer

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