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**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 12, 2015 ~ Lawson Conference Room**

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Wallace Arnold, Scott Arnott, Charlene Clark, Chris Jacobson, Timothy Leighton, William Lewis, Susan Rotkis, Scott Seymour

STAFF PRESENT: Bruce Sturk (Executive Director), Bonnie Brown (Assistant City Attorney)

COUNCIL LIAISON: Linda Curtis (Vice Mayor)

GUEST PRESENT: John Gately (MAC), Mike Yazkowsky (Economic Development)

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CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Rotkis called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. and passed around a contact sheet and asked members to update their information. Secretary Clark called the roll.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Vice Chair Rotkis stated minutes from the December 8, 2014 meeting were distributed and if there were no changes, called for a motion to approve.

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

Ayes: Arnold, Arnott, Clark, Jacobson, Leighton, Rotkis, Seymour  
Nays: None  
Absent: Lewis  
Abstain: None

Mr. Sturk welcomed the Authority's newest member, Timothy Leighton. He also acknowledged City Council Liaison, Vice Mayor Linda Curtis.

REPORTS & BRIEFINGS: Mr. Sturk, again, thanked Ms. Brown for providing the updated Summary of Powers at the last meeting, which was a beneficial review, showing the importance of this committee. He feels there will be opportunities for the Hampton FADA to use the 'tools' described in the Summary of Powers. Some are starting to take shape, for example, future upcoming Base Realignment and Closures, as indicated in a recent Daily Press article. Governor McAuliffe has been very proactive in taking stances towards protecting, preserving, promoting and enhancing the Commonwealth's military installations. He stated Secretary Harvey is also very much engaged and proactive.

**Langley Air Force Base (LAFB)** – Mr. Sturk gave a brief update, highlighting the following items:

- Installation Mission Support Command update; LAFB is in top three
- Mayor, City Manager and Mr. Sturk briefed the Governor’s Advisory Board on encroachment on January 7<sup>th</sup>
- First Fighter Wing Commander, Colonel Huyck, was promoted to Brigadier General last week

*Note: Chairman Lewis arrived at the meeting – 1:11 p.m.*

**LAFB Clear Zone** – Mr. Sturk stated the City has acquired thirteen properties, soon to be fifteen out of 24 properties, with a total acreage acquired just over 60% of the available acreage in the clear zone. He stated we have expended almost all of the \$3million installment of funding from the State and the City match of \$3 million. With the current funding that the State provided, almost \$1.26 million and the City’s match, we will have about \$2.5 million going forward, which he feels will be utilized. The funds would be used for acquiring property, but also for environmental study, demolition of property, etc. He mentioned some acquired properties have already been demolished and are now green space.

**P-4 Initiative** - Mr. Sturk gave a brief update on the Public-Public/Private Partnership (P-4) Initiative, stating they will be signing a Memorandum of Agreement for all Hampton citizens to utilize the LAFB library. He stated the City Manager will be writing a gift letter, as the air force has to use the \$60,000 as a gift towards the library. The MOA establishes that the Pilot Program, which is an ‘experiment’ to get a data count of citizens using the library and if it is successful, we will look at incorporating it into this year’s budget and put money towards this relationship. Mr. Sturk stated this partnership is ground-breaking and sets a template for other types of shared opportunities. Mr. Sturk also stated the City was able to get a procurement contract coordinated with York County, Poquoson, Newport News, Hampton, NASA and Langley AFB to jointly make purchases together.

Chairman Lewis inquired, in regards to the clear zone, the total number of properties acquired. Mr. Sturk responded fifteen properties at the end of this month. Mr. Arnold inquired about other communities around bases that are experiencing the same things as we are with encroachment. Mr. Sturk stated Oceana at Virginia Beach, which has active programs as well. He stated there are other communities in the Commonwealth dealing with encroachment issues, with training ranges, for example.

**NASA Update** – Mr. Sturk gave an update on NASA, highlighting the following items:

- Facilities continue to be constructed with The New Town project
- Ribbon cutting ceremony for ISAAC (composite robot) on February 26<sup>th</sup>
- \$100 Million Plus for Aviation – goes to headquarters soon and hopes that NASA Langley will receive funds towards aviation and space

**Hampton Veterans Medical Center (HVAMC)** – Mr. Sturk gave a brief update on the HVAMC, highlighting the following:

- Mr. Sturk will be meeting with the Director for their regularly scheduled monthly meetings.
- National Salute to Veterans on February 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. He stated if anyone would like to attend, please let him or Ms. Oakley know.

- On February 27<sup>th</sup>, the Community Leaders Breakfast will be at the HVAMC for the meeting and a tour; there will be a bus leaving from City Hall that morning. He encouraged all HFADA members to attend.
- The HVAMC is addressing the 30-day wait issues; the challenge is lack of doctors and physical capacity for space at the center, but they are proceeding with satellite campuses in other areas and have hired seven new doctors.

**Fort Monroe** – Mr. Sturk stated he is still working on having Kirsten Talken-Spaulding, Superintendent for the National Park Service Monument, brief the HFADA at a future meeting. He also stated property transfers are being worked out.

**Legislative Update** – Mr. Sturk provided information regarding current legislative actions, specifically in regards to military items. He mentioned he and Mr. Gately attend the Governor’s Military Advisory Council meetings. At the last meeting at Fort Lee, the Governor and his wife were present and are very committed to the military, service members and their families; he referenced a recent announcement by the Governor regarding this commitment. Mr. Sturk also reported the implementation of a Military Child Identifier, i.e., federal funds that go towards the school systems that have military dependents in their schools.

Mr. Arnold added, in regards to the HVAMC, the Woman’s Clinic is somewhat groundbreaking, which has opened within the past eighteen months. He also stated in regards to space at HVAMC, we should get in the middle and assist, if there are any bumps in trying to acquire property. Mr. Sturk assured the HFADA that staff is working with Hampton University and others in regards to possible space.

**Military Affairs Committee** – Mr. Gately gave a brief update on MAC activities, highlighting the following:

- Guest speaker at the last MAC meeting was Ryan Brown, the new Salvation Army Captain, who is leading the Salvation Army of the Virginia Peninsula. He reported in 2014 the Salvation Army provided about 14,000 people in the area with shelter, food, etc. Captain Brown is committed to helping homeless veterans and the homeless in general.
- The Virginia Peninsula Food Bank has approached the MAC and wants to help provide at-need or at-risk young military families.
- Stand Down on November 15<sup>th</sup> was a success, with over 250 volunteers and 135 at-risk veterans who attended the event.
- Wreaths Across America Campaign on December 13<sup>th</sup> had 500 people (MAC/others) participate in placing wreaths on gravesites.
- Two Tuskegee airman passed recently; efforts in the works to recognize them.
- Point in Time Survey to be done on January 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> to assist in finding the homeless in most critical need of care.
- MAC has formed a partnership with military newspapers of Virginia for Celebration of the Military Child. On April 4<sup>th</sup> at HRCC, there will be an event to celebrate military children; the theme is ‘Candy Land’.
- State is implementing a statewide veterans track and docket; Hampton has its own, which is a success and Judge Taylor has been a strong proponent of it.

Mr. Yazkowsky reminded HFADA members of the annual AeroSpace Day in Richmond to visit the General Assembly on February 4<sup>th</sup>, with an evening reception. Tickets for the reception are \$30.00 and he can forward additional information to any

member who is interested. He also reported one of the things they will be discussing is celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of NACA, founded on March 3, 1915, which is now NASA, founded in 1917. He stated House Joint Resolution #550 is making its way through the House and General Assembly.

Chairman Lewis inquired if there were any recommendations in terms of a delegation. Mr. Sturk stated teams are being put together and if anyone is interested, let him or Ms. Oakley know.

Mr. Sturk stated there is a Listening Session tomorrow at Fort Eustis; the Army will be in town to listen to the community in Hampton Roads about the future of Fort Eustis. The session is from 3:00-4:30 p.m. in the Wily Theatre. Mr. Sturk and Mayor Wallace will be attending.

Chairman Lewis thanked Mr. Sturk for his reports and also commended Mr. Sturk and Ms. Brown on their work regarding the clear zone acquisitions.

UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS:

No Report

OTHER BUSINESS:

No Report

NEW BUSINESS:

**Election of Officers** – Ms. Brown explained that the members can present nominations for the officers that are up for election or there can be a consensus for a slate of officers. Chairman Lewis thanked Ms. Brown and suggested to follow the protocol and proceed.

**ACTION:** Wallace Arnold made the motion to maintain the current slate of officers. Scott Seymour seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, which resulted as follows:

Ayes: Arnold, Arnott, Clark, Jacobson, Leighton, Lewis, Rotkis, Seymour  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

Chairman Lewis apologized for being late to the meeting. He thanked Ms. Clark for taking notes in Ms. Oakley's absence and for making the suggestion of the newest HFADA member, Tim Leighton. He wished all a Happy New Year and congratulated the 'new' officers on their appointments.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further discussion, Chairman Lewis adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by,

Charlene Clark  
Secretary/Treasurer

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