



Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2016 ~ Lawson Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Arnott, Charlene Clark, Paula Hogg, William Lewis, Susan Rotkis, Scott Seymour

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

COUNCIL LIAISON: Linda Curtis

GUEST PRESENT: Julie Gifford (Governor's Office), Lt. Colonel Dave Norton (LAFB)

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Lewis called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. and asked the Clerk to call the roll. Chairman Lewis thanked Ms. Brown and Ms. Oakley for assisting with cancelling the meeting last month.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairman Lewis stated the November 9, 2015 minutes were distributed for review and called for a motion to approve.

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

Ayes: Arnott, Clark, Hogg, Lewis, Rotkis, Seymour

Nays: None

Absent: Adams, Arnold, Jacobson

Abstain: None

REPORTS & BRIEFINGS: **Presentation on Public-Public-Private-Public Partnerships with LAFB**

Lt Colonel Dave Norton, Deputy Commander of the 633d Mission Support Group, gave a presentation on P-4 Initiatives (copy on file).

Chairman Lewis inquired about the P-4 partners. Colonel Norton stated the partners are Hampton, Newport News, Poquoson, York County, and NASA. Chairman Lewis asked if there is participation through others. Colonel Norton stated through Mr. Sturk, other City of Hampton staff departments are participating and they are open to other partnerships. Mr. Sturk also added they are considering sharing athletic fields.

Chairman Lewis inquired if Langley has seen savings in the joint initiatives. Colonel Norton stated some, but hope to have more benefit. Mr. Sturk stated we do see efficiencies, just need to continue to refine the process.

Mr. Rotkis asked what is being done for those trying to enter the base. Colonel Norton stated if they have identified a specific group of people, to use the athletic fields, the pool or the golf course, they vet them and do a background check, and issue a temporary pass. He stated Langley Civic Leaders Association is one example.

Mr. Arnott inquired about charter schools and STEM education. Colonel Norton stated there would probably be some mutual interest in partnering of a STEM program.

Ms. Clark inquired if the marina on Langley was privately managed. Colonel Norton responded no that it is owned and operated by the base.

Chairman Lewis stated the Air Force has decreased to half and inquired what is it a result of; leadership design or failure to get enlistments. Colonel Norton responded it's a number of things, but not a recruitment problem. He stated its DOD resource issue, but also technology – things are more automated now. Privatization also has an impact. Mr. Sturk added the size of the military is driven by federal budget and Congress. Chairman Lewis inquired if he sees us strong enough as a military force. Mr. Sturk stated yes, but on the ragged edge – because, for example, outdated equipment - but we still have the strongest military in the world. Chairman Lewis thanked Colonel Norton for his presentation.

Local Federal Area Updates

- **Langley Air Force Base Clear Zone** – Mr. Sturk gave a brief update on LAFB Clear Zone, stating another property is close to completion, as well as one other, which is a shared partnership with LAFB in regards to funding. He stated Langley is extremely pleased with the progress.
- **Langley Air Force Base (LAFB)** – Mr. Sturk gave a brief update on Langley, stating the Langley Civic Leaders Association jointly entered into an agreement with Adopt-an-Airman program, along with the HMAC. Three groups have been paired, which totals thirty airmen and host families. Mr. Sturk stated Pat Leary, of Hampton City Schools, will be a presenter during a meeting of a First Term Airman Course. He stated the airmen are very pleased with the program and Ms. Leary and the airman are speaking to others on the opportunities available under this program. He stated Langley is very pleased as well.
- **Hampton Veterans Administration Medical Center (HVAMC)** – Mr. Sturk stated he is meeting with Mr. Dunfee on Wednesday and continues to work with him on numerous endeavors. He stated development continues and the facility is growing. The medical services side is also expanding their capabilities and capacities. Mr. Sturk stated they too have a shared partnership with LAFB, where they have shared surgeon services.

Chairman Lewis inquired if there is any interest to have vets go to other VA hospitals. Mr. Sturk stated an individual can chose care at the VA or with the private sector. The VA is continuously out in the community trying to

find veterans who have needs. Their medical can be covered by the VA, but in another hospital if they do not live near a VA hospital.

- **Military Affairs Committee (MAC)** - Mr. Sturk stated Mr. Gately has stepped down as Chairman of the MAC after about eight years. The MAC continues to meet and will take a re-look at their scope and purpose and possibly do a reconfiguration of the committee. Mr. Sturk will report back on results of the meeting. Mr. Gately is involved in other activities now.

- **Fort Monroe** - Mr. Sturk reported Kirsten Talken-Spaulding is being transferred to Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park. He stated she will be missed. He is not sure of her replacement yet, but when onboard, we will invite her replacement to our meeting. Mr. Seymour stated the FMA is already behind on their planned development and inquired what this will do. Mr. Sturk stated from a NPS standpoint, they are not behind, as Ms. Talken-Spaulding has done leaps and bounds on getting what NPS needs. He stated the FMA has some challenges; for example addressing infrastructure. The City is working with the FMA on zoning at Fort Monroe. He stated the military housing is leased, which is a good thing. Mr. Seymour clarified he was speaking on the National Park side, for example dog beach. Mr. Sturk stated Ms. Talken-Spaulding has a plan in place and some contractual things have been changed to the NPS, such as the RV Park. Councilwoman Curtis stated there was an article in yesterday's paper regarding the NPS having no money and there are maintenance issues, which are areas of concern.

Governor's Office – Ms. Gifford reported on the Medic/Corpsmen legislation (HB825 & SB437) that passed both Houses and that the Governor is expected to sign. She stated there is no other State with similar legislation. She also reported on the 100th Anniversary; the Governor will be attending some of the events, including the Gala.

Legislative Update - Mr. Sturk stated Laura Bateman was not able to attend the meeting, but provided a handout (from Ms. Bateman) that shows the items focused on service members and their families. Copy on file.

Hampton Roads Military Federal Facilities Alliance (HRMFFA) – Mr. Sturk stated Craig Quigley could not attend today, as he is preparing for the President's budget and the implications it has on Hampton Roads.

NASA Aeronautical Systems Team (NAST) – Mr. Sturk stated Bruce Hoogstraten could not be here today as well, but gave the following report on his behalf:

- NASA FY17 Budget rollout
 - The NASA administrator will be at LaRC tomorrow - Tuesday 2/9 - to roll out the President's new FY17 budget for NASA – and we will learn the details of what that means for NASA Langley.
- DC Meetings
 - NAST has many meetings scheduled in DC this month at NASA Headquarters – with our Hampton Roads delegation – to discuss the impact the President's proposed FY17 budget will have on LaRC.
- Richmond Aero Day
 - Last week the VA aerospace community hosted its “Aero Day” in

Richmond. This was the 12th year – this aero community (which includes the NASA LaRC & NASA Wallops senior managers) hosted this event in Richmond during the legislative session.

➤ NASA LaRC – 100th Centennial Event

- NAST is leading an ad hoc working group to help plan for the big “Gala” for the NASA Langley 100th Anniversary. This event will be at the Hampton Roads Convention Center on July 14th, 2017. There will be more to follow.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS: No Report

OTHER BUSINESS: No Report

NEW BUSINESS: Legislative Committee: Mr. Sturk gave a brief background of the Legislative Committee that was formed several years ago and the names of those who served on the committee. He wanted to make the Authority aware that this committee still exist. He stated we have not really activated it and therefore asked the Authority if there is interest to add new members at this time. Chairman Lewis stated it may be a matter of need. The Authority agreed. Mr. Sturk provided the Authority a description of the committee as information.

Election of Officers: Ms. Rotkis inquired about her term and announced that she will be moving to Arizona in the summer, which will leave an unexpired term. She will be glad to serve until such time. After some discussion, there was a consensus to vote on a slate of officers.

ACTION: Chairman Lewis called for the nomination of the suggested slate of officers. Scott Seymour made a motion to nominate Susan Rotkis for Chairman, Charlene Clark for Vice Chairman, and Paula Hogg as Secretary/Treasurer. Scott Arnott seconded. A roll call vote was taken, which resulted as follows:

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

Mr. Sturk stated, as in the past, he will solicit the Authority’s ideas and thoughts on a recommended replacement for Ms. Rotkis when the time comes. Mr. Seymour suggested talking further about a former member who had to leave due to a potential conflict of interest.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chairman Lewis adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Submitted by,

Paula Hogg
Secretary/Treasurer