

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
ENGLAND ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

**FEBRUARY 17, 1992**

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the England Economic and Industrial Development District to which legislators, public officials and members of the public and press had been invited to attend was held on Monday, February 17, 1992 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at the Alexandria City Hall.

Those Commissioners present at the Board meeting were Jim Meyer, Jack DeWitt, Garland Lawrence, John Brewer, Hank Bruser, Myron Lawson, and Susan Jaques. Commissioners George Thompson, Gene Cotton, and Barry Hines were absent.

Also present were Joe McPherson, Elton Pody, Dee Gilbert, Jon Grafton, Ricky Sooter, Richard Brackney, Dennis Story, Col. Mac McBurney, Jack Gremillion, Tony Ellington, John Chaney, Jim Holmes, Wayne Bettony and members of the press.

Following the invocation and pledge of allegiance, the roll was called determining that a quorum was present. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Meyer.

Chairman Meyer instructed those present that the date of the regular meeting had been changed to accommodate Al Raybe, City of Alexandria Planning Consultant, who will deliver a report on their findings.

Opening proposals from law firms after 5:00 p.m. added to the agenda and approved as a whole.

**Minutes**

Due to the fact that Ms. Gilbert attended the FAA conference in Arlington last week prior to the meeting for the England Authority, the minutes of the January 27th meeting were not available.

**Name Change**

Legal Committee discussed the possible name change to "England Authority." Sen. Joe McPherson suggested the name of the District remain as it is but the governing body, the Board of Commissioners, be known as the England Authority. He will draft legislation for the Board's review. On motion by Hank Bruser, seconded by Jack DeWitt to change the governing body's name to the England Authority. On vote the motion carried.

## Transportation

DOTD, following testimony and request of Chairman Meyer, verbally withdrew its recommendation to delay 4 laning of LA 498 and will add the 5 laning into base to the priority list.

On motion by Com. Lawson to request that the FAA include EAFB in the NPIAS system. On vote the motion carried.

## E.D. Committee

On motion by Com. Lawrence, seconded by Com. Bruser that the England District subscribe and become a co-sponsor of the special supplement to profile the base property for \$ 2,500.00. On vote the motion passed.

14 to 15 prospects are currently being worked.

Marketing Brochure delayed because of color separation problems. Will be available soon.

## Public Works Commission

Tour of Morale, Welfare, and Recreation facilities will be arranged by Ms. Gilbert for the Authority members and local government leaders. List of properties showing their depreciated value is being compiled. Ms. Gilbert will also arrange a tour of Cotile Recreation area for Police Jury.

## Finance Committee

On motion by Com. DeWitt, seconded by Com. Brewer to approve payment of the bills submitted in the amount of \$ 84.41. On vote the motion carried. A financial report will be prepared for the next meeting.

## Insurance Committee

Will call a meeting next week and will discuss coverage for MWR properties.

## Base Reuse Committee

Task Force members received copies of scope of services requested for base reuse plan. Meeting will be held Thursday, February 20th at 8:30 a.m. to negotiate contract with Greiner Inc.

## Heritage Park

On motion by Com. DeWitt, seconded by Com. Bruser to authorize a letter to Mr. Rittenhouse about keeping the plan currently on display at Heritage Park. On vote the motion was carried.



**Retired Committee**

Currently in Washington D.C. accompanied by Com. Thompson.

The Board Recessed at 4:37 p.m.. The meeting resumed at 5:02 p.m.

**Legal Committee**

On motion by Com. Bruser, seconded by Com. Brewer to open the bids received for Private legal council. On vote the motion carried.

On motion by Com. Bruser, seconded by Com. Brewer to refer the three qualification statements received from the following: Gist, Methvin; Bolin, Erwin; Provosty, Sadler and DeLaunay, to the Legal Committee for review to enable them to select a firm and negotiate a contract subject to the review and approval of the full Board.

**Al Raybe**

Mr. Raybe presented an overview of the preliminary findings of their consultant group for future planning with emphasis on the impact and recommendations for EAFB. Public hearings concerning the plan for growth of Alexandria will be held in March.

There being no further business, it was moved, duly seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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Jack DeWitt  
Secretary/Treasurer

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Chairman