



CITY OF ST. MARYS, GEORGIA

December 7, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

St. MARYS INTRACOASTAL GATEWAY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER at 6:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

QUORUM: YES XX___ NO___

In attendance: Mr. Jim Gant; Mr. John Morrissey;; Mr. Roger A. Weaver; Mr. Craig Root; Ms. Teddie Lockhart Ms. Kay Westberry; Mr. Phil Jones; Steve Crowell;; Mr. David Keating (non-voting).

Absent: Mr. Jim Lomis; Artie Jones, III; Mr. Sidney Howell Ms. Mary Neff

Visitors: Ms. Johna Rush; M/M Tom Richter; Mr. Bob Nutter

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *Review and approval of minutes of:*

1. July 25, 2011, Motion by Mr. Root, Second by Mr. P. Jones to approve as amended. Vote was Unanimous
2. August 29, 2011, Motion by Mr. Root, Second by Mr. P. Jones to approve as amended. Vote was Unanimous
3. September 15, 2011: Motion by Mr. P. Jones, Second by Mr. Root to approve as amended. Vote was Unanimous
4. October 24, 2011: Motion by Mr. P. Jones, Second by Mr. Morrissey to approve as amended. Vote was Unanimous

NOTE: These minutes will now be posted on the website.

IV. PRESENTATION

A. None at this time.

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: **Motion to add 'D. Discussion on Grants/Goals for 2012 under New Business, Motion by Mr. Root, Second by Ms. Westberry; Vote was unanimous**

VI. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

A. **No Comments at this time**

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Update on grant final approvals from Council and grantors for the TE grant and the CIG grant. **The CIG grant has been given the notice to proceed and work is underway. The TE Grant is still waiting for the signed contract from GaDOT and no work can commence until the signed contract and the notice to proceed is received. Brief discussion on the need for a designated easement or other legal document that is required for the TE grant.**
- B. Update on status of the demolition of the Boat House and related structures. **The building has been used for SMFD and SMPD training. Results of limited testing is being awaited. Demolition work should be accomplished by the end of December or by mid-January.**
- C. Discuss and determine projects, issues, and other requirements that need to be monitored either as part of the grant or as part of the mission of the SMIG Committee. **SMIG Committee asked that a schedule be prepared for review.**
- D. Update on how the SMIG committee will communicate grant progress to the public and receive input from the public. **This was discussed at the last meeting, and there is nothing to update.**
- E. Update on how the resulting open field should be used. **Discussion on renting the open site, and listing the rental on the City website. After the buildings are removed, take a new look and see what other possibilities can be visualized.**



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VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion on committee membership and any possible revisions or changes. **Since there is no 'term' limits to the committee, and there are some necessary decisions to be made, the committee, by consensus determined the following:**
1. Mr. Howell's position was appointed as chair of the property committee, which no longer exists. Mr. Morrissey is to discuss this with Mr. Howell to ascertain whether he has continued interest in being on the committee.
 2. Mr. Loomis, DDA chair, has missed a large number of meetings and is an appointed position. Mr. Root is to ask Mr. Loomis whether he has continued interest in being on the committee. If not, then the DDA should have one board member appointed on his behalf.
 3. Discussion on whether three Council members (Morrissey, Howell, and after Jan, 9, 2012 – Gant) can continued to serve or whether the public will perceive that the Committee is no longer impartial. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.
- B. Discussion on use of the dock for emergency use of ships of a certain size during natural and manmade incidents. **Mr. Weaver discussed the current status of the Steelaway at the Gilman Dock. The Steelaway has City permission to dock there based on a medical emergency.**
- C. Discussion on proposal of Mr. William Cottrell regarding the possibility of locating a carousel on the site. **The SMIG committee has no jurisdiction over this suggestion, and was presented for information only.**
- D. *Discussion on Grants/Goals for 2012: the SMIG committee should be prepared to discuss the 2012 goals for the committee, and related grant opportunities at the next two meetings. The pump out facility grant will not be pursued this fiscal year due to the need to accomplish the CIG and TE grants.*

IX. REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEES

- A. None

X. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC – ANY ITEM RELATED TO THE SMIG MISSION

- A. **The use of the dock was discussed.**

XI. ADJOURNMENT

- A. **The next meeting was set for Jan. 16, 2012 at 9:00 AM. (NOTE: This is a national holiday, and the City offices will be closed. Consider January 23, 2012 at 9:00 as an alternate date.**
- B. **Motion to adjourn by Mr. P. Jones; second by Ms. Westberry. Vote was unanimous, and the meeting ended at 7:38 PM.**

Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice; it is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved.

William Jennings Bryan quoted at the Council presentation on June 14, 2010 regarding the 100 Ready Street Project