

National Roads Authority
Minutes of the Twelfth Meeting of the Board

Place: PWD Offices, North Sound Road, Grand Cayman.

Date: Thursday 19 May, 2005 at 3:00 pm

Present:

J L Hurlston Chairman
Troy Whittaker Deputy Chairman
Marilyn Conolly
Justin Woods
Steve McField
Colford Scott
Edward Howard

In attendance: Mr. Michael Barnett

1. Call to Order
2. Apologies Received
3. Opening Remarks
4. Minutes of previous meeting
5. Matters arising
6. New Business
7. Adjournment

1. Call to Order

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 3:15 pm and thanked everyone for making it possible to attend.

2. Apologies Received

Apologies were received from Mr. Carson Ebanks and Mr. Rollin Jackson.

3. Opening Remarks.

The Chairman again expressed his concern regarding the lack of quorum, but decided to proceed with the meeting.

4. Minutes of previous meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting was tabled and after corrections, a motion was moved for their adoption and the motion was carried and the minutes adopted.

5. Matters Arising

(i) Central Highway Corridor:

The Corridor was approved by Cabinet and the section 25 gazette notice was done.

(ii) Executive Secretary

The Chairman noted that there were a number of things that the Executive Secretary needed to get done once she was on staff and these include the gathering of information for the annual report as well as gazetting the location of the NRA offices.

6. New Business

West Bay Corridor

The Chairman enquired as to the position concerning the West Bay Corridor and in particular the compensation arrangement for the Hyatt. We were informed that the Lands and Survey Department is handling all the negotiations. Work on the Hyatt roundabout is near completion and the meeting was informed that Mr. Gil Freytag was offering financial assistance with the construction and the Hyatt would be responsible for the ongoing maintenance. It was agreed that a contract similar to the one with the Bank of Butterfield should be put in place.

It was also noted that in light of the fact that work was about to start we should ensure that we are clear as to what are the requirements of the Ritz Carlton in relation to the new highway that is to pass their property.

New Minister:

The Chairman is to meet with the new Minister with a view to providing him with an update and also get his input on the direction for the NRA. He requested the Managing Director to prepare a summary giving an overview of the NRA for the Minister. Ms. Conolly is to arrange the meeting.

Finances:

The Assistant Director of Finance and Administration (ADF&A) presented an update on the state of the finances as at 30th April, 2005 which detailed the original and the approved supplemental appropriations as well as expenditures to date.

Other:

The Chairman informed the Board that he was invited by the Rotary Club to give a short talk on June 1, 2005 and if he was still the Chairman he would speak.

The Chairman wanted to know whether we needed to do anything further to enhance the NRA's image. Ms. Conolly suggested we put up signs at our worksites as well as change the current barriers to NRA from PWD. The Chairman reminded of the need to identify ourselves on the PWD compound and use funds from either the existing or next year's budget to improve our image on the site.

The Deputy Chairman suggested that a Bill Board should be put up announcing the proposed new highway to West Bay. This was agreed.

The Chairman reminded of the need to continue to give the public advance notice of new projects. This will go a far way in alleviating the inconvenience that may be caused as a result of these projects.

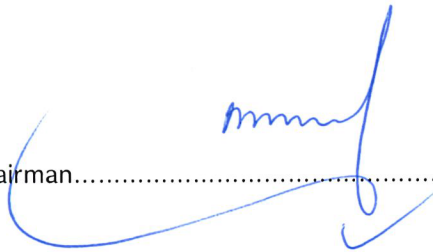
Ms. Conolly wanted to find out what was the position regarding a possible scholarship for S.23 (1) FOI Law as the board had agreed in principle to provide some financial assistance. A proposal is to be presented to the Board at the next meeting for approval so that it can be included in the 2005/2006 budget.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Confirmed:

Chairman.....

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'M. Conolly', is written over the dotted line for the Chairman's signature.