# National Roads Authority Minutes of the Fifty-first Meeting of the Board of Directors held at the NRA Offices, 370 North Sound Road, George Town, Grand Cayman, Thursday, August 02, 2007 at 2:00p.m.

**Present:** 

Troy Whittaker

**Deputy Chairman** 

Justin Wood Gary Rankin Steve McField Gerard Pereira

Troy Jacob

Nominee for Carson Ebanks

Carson K. Ebanks

**Edward Howard** 

Acting MD

**Paul Parchment** 

**Acting Deputy MD** 

Lois A. Hall-Vaughan

**Executive Secretary** 

**Apologies:** 

Errol L. Bush

Chairman

Dean Walton Peter Milburn

#### 1. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 2:27pm by the Deputy Chairman in the absence of the Chairman who is currently off the island for medical reasons.

#### 2. Amendment

In 'Present:' to read 'Troy Jacob – Nominee for Chief Officer (Min. CW&I)' instead of 'Troy Jacob – Nominee for Carson K. Ebanks'.

# 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Amendments to the previous Minutes are as follows:

In Matters Arising to include:

## h. Ongoing projects

This is to be completed by Edward Howard at the next meeting.

## i. <u>Tour of projects by Directors</u>

A tour of the current/upcoming projects is to be arranged particularly for the benefit of the new Directors.

The Minutes of the Meeting held July 19, 2007 were then confirmed on a motion moved by (G. Rankin) and seconded by (S. McField).

## 4. Matters Arising

## a. HR Manager – Hiring

The Chairman met with Justin Wood, Steve McField and Troy Whittaker to review and discuss applications received for this post and the recommendations made by Management. It is decided to re-advertise this post (after changes are made to the ad) and to request Premier HR Management to review and make suggestions when applications are received.

## g. Ongoing Projects

Maps of the various projects were displayed and members (in particularly new members) were updated/informed on the ongoing projects by the Actg. MD. Proposed projects include a road in East End near the Salinas, widening of Hell Road and a road from the Airport car park to Camana Bay.

#### 1. Linford Pierson

The Board is to look at the possibility of an alternate route for this road which at present is proposed to go through a forest which is believed to be home of a number of indigenous plants. This will be done for presentation to the Minister.

## 2. Airport Road roundabout

This is a proposed roundabout by the Post Office, with three lanes to NAPA/Mango Tree Restaurant with and centre turn lane, sidewalks, signage and beautification.

## h. Proposed NRA Office renovations

With the immediate urgent need for more staff (at least eight), a draft proposed restructure of the present office layout was circulated to members by Management along with a proposal to conduct Board meetings off site. Possible venues for Board Meetings are to be reviewed. However it was suggested that the NRA review a possible land site for offices and a proposition is to be done.

# i. <u>Encroachment - Sunny Smyles Nursery (Walkers Rd.)</u>

It was noted that this nursery is currently encroaching on Coconut Dr. It was reviewed by members and suggested that minor realignment of the road be done with removal of the tree and requesting the owner to remove the trellis at the corner. A section of the property on the other side of the road at the corner will be truncated.

## k. Faith Avenue - Newlands

Management advised that this road needs to be gazetted as a public road (so that it can be upgraded) as owners of land now ready to build are unable to receive water in its present condition. An estimate to do this

road was requested and a decision be made when this is presented to the Board.

## I. <u>IT Assistant – Leave Request</u>

The IT Assistant has requested one (1) week's paid leave in order to do a course overseas. It was suggested that this be granted on completion of the course and receipt of a Certificate of Achievement.

It was noted that the Board look at the budgeting of funds for training and promotion as well as more notice be given by staff when making requests of the Board.

## 5. Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be scheduled on the return of the Chairman.

# 6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:12pm.

Signature

**Board Chairman** 

Confirmation of Minutes - 02.08.07

Date: 30.08.07

Signature

**Executive Secretary** 

Seconded: Confirmation of Minutes

Date: 30.08.07