

National Roads Authority
Minutes of the Seventy-Sixth Meeting of the Board of Directors
held at Reliable Industries Conference Room, 313 Compass Drive,
George Town,
Grand Cayman, Tuesday, December 16, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.

Present:	Troy Whittaker	Deputy Chairman
	Steve McField	
	Dane (Dean) Walton	
	Justin Woods	
	Peter Milburn	
	Carson Ebanks	Chief Officer (Min. CW&I)
	Brian Tomlinson	Managing Director
	Edward Howard	Deputy MD – Admin & Planning
	Paul Parchment	Actg. Dep. MD – Eng. & Operations
		Denis Thibeault
	Lois A. Hall-Vaughan	Executive Secretary
Apologies:	Errol L. Bush	Chairman
	Gary Rankin	
	Gerard Pereira	
	Troy Jacob	Nominee for Chief Officer (Min. CW&I)
Absent:	Ronnie Dunn	Nominee for Financial Secretary

1. **Call to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm. by the Deputy Chairman Troy Whittaker in the absence of the Chairman who was ill.
2. **Confirmation of Minutes**
The Minutes of the Meeting held November 25, 2008 were confirmed on a motion moved by (Director P. Milburn) and seconded by (Director Dane Walton).
3. **Matters Arising**
See attached spreadsheet.
4. **New Business**
 - a. Petition for link road from Selkirk Drive to Grand Harbour
This request from a resident **Amended to read 'This request from residents in the Selkirk Drive area'** in the Selkirk Drive area was reviewed and it was suggested that the connecting parcel of land be gazetted as a connector road to Grand Harbour (which is slated for future development). The Board voted and decided to gazette the land and build the connector road.

- b. Freedom of Information (FOI) update
Members of the Board were advised of the appointment of Mrs. Lois A. Hall-Vaughan as the new Information Manager and Mrs. Aldene Kidd-Hylton as the Records Manager as required under the new Freedom of Information (FOI) Law. They were also advised of steps taken by the NRA in regards to the access of information on the NRA by the public e.g. information regarding senior management and members of the Board, Minutes of Board Meetings, road projects being posted on the NRA website – caymanroads.com.

- c. Transportation Plan presentation
This plan was presented by the DMD, Admin & Transportation Edward Howard. This plan looked at long term development, traffic growth, ease of vehicular access around the island and the ability to move around with the focus being on the eastern districts for the next 10 -15 – 20 years. It was noted that in the US Federal Law any population of 50,000 or more must produce a Transportation Plan. It is essential for the Cayman Islands to have this kind of plan considering the population growth and to ensure the efficient movement of goods, people and services. It was noted that the original roads of the islands were coastal and so more inland roads must be developed to connect various points on the island. Suggestions on the plan include the widening of Elgin Avenue and a new connector road by Blue Marlin on Eastern Avenue through Rock Hole.

The plan envisioned the creation of more manageable blocks (with connector roads to central areas in town) which would make the public more inclined to walk to places such as the banks, post office and shops. The plan also included to view the island's drainage system i.e. viewing storm water management. The proposed new roads would have to act as drainage.

The MD recommended that this be presented to the Hon. Minister Arden McLean as soon as is possible. The Board agreed that this should be done at the first meeting scheduled for the New Year. The Board thanked Mr. Howard and the other members of the NRA staff for an excellent presentation which looked at forward planning for transportation.

5. **Other Business**

- a. Dorcy Drive/Owen Roberts Drive roundabout
Director Peter Milburn congratulated the NRA on the new roundabout and enquired if anything was going to be done on improving Owen Roberts Drive. The MD advised that this was on the schedule of works to be done.

6. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be scheduled by the Chairman and the Board advised accordingly.

7. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:51pm.

Signature
Board Chairman
Confirmation of Minutes – 16.12.08
Date: 27.01.09

Signature
Executive Secretary
Seconded: Confirmation of Minutes
Date: 27.01.09