# National Roads Authority Minutes of the One-Hundred & Twelfth Meeting of the Board of Directors held at Public Works Department (PWD) Training/Resource Room,

370 North Sound Road, George Town, Grand Cayman, Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Colford Scott Chairman

Troy Whittaker Deputy Chairman

Mrs. Pearlina McGaw-Lumsden

Darrel Rankine Brian Ebanks Justin Bodden

Ronnie Dunn Designate Director for Financial

Secretary

Brian Tomlinson Managing Director

Edward Howard Dep. Managing Director – Admin

& Planning

Denis Thibeault Assist. Director – Transportation

& Planning - invited

Mrs. Lois A. Hall-Vaughan Executive Secretary

**Apologies:** Ms. Levonne Ryan

Mrs. Christine Maltman

David Fawcitt Designate Director – Min.

DAW&LA

Tristan Hydes Designate Director – Min.

DAW&LA

**Absent:** Steve McField

Barry Martinez

Paul Parchment Dep. MD Designate - Eng. &

Operations

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 1:27pm.

#### 2. Confirmation of Minutes

The motion to accept the Minutes of meeting held December 13, 2011 (with Amendment under Item #5 - Other Business) was moved by Director D. Rankine and seconded by Director Mrs. P. McGaw-Lumsden. The Board accepted and approved the motion.

# 3. Matters Arising

## 4b. HR Report

The MD suggested to members that this report will in future be incorporated into the Monthly Report prepared by the MD which is sent to the Ministry. The Board agreed with his suggestion.

The Board suggested that not all members of the Management team of the NRA are required to attend Board meetings at all times. The attendance of at least one member of the Management team is required at these meetings and others will do so as needed.

# 5c. <u>Update on lifting of injunction regarding Bobby Thompson Way and</u> Linford Pierson Highway

The MD informed that a letter was sent (December 16, 2011) by Registered Mail to Director S. McField requesting him to provide an update in three (3) days time. It was suggested that a copy of the letter be delivered to the offices of Director S. McField as well as emailed to him.

It was noted that this appears to be the second case of non-performance by this Director and the issue needs to be addressed now. The suggestion was made for the NRA to seek legal advice on this Director's possible conflict of interest in his acting on behalf of the NRA.

#### 5a. Appropriation of funds for the NRA

The MD advised that Cabinet did not meet on December 20, 2011 as stated in the previous Minutes.

The MD informed that the NRA has cut back on purchasing material.

The future status of the NRA is still undecided.

#### 4. New Business

all redaction under sec 23 (1) of FOI Law (2015 Rev)

#### a. Compensation Claims

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The question was asked as to who appeals a decision made by the Roads Assessment Committee (if it is not in favour) and who pays? It was noted that if it is felt that the Roads Assessment Committee has erred in its judgment/decision and this issue might set a precedent for future claims, then it can be taken to the Grand Court by the Ministry on a recommendation from Lands & Survey. If legal advice is sought then a recommendation is made by Lands & Survey and the Ministry takes it to Grand Court. (Lands & Survey represent the NRA).

# b. Section 24 for the Relocation of South Sound Road -

Director Mrs. Pearlina McGaw-Lumsden declared interest in this item and left the meeting during its discussion and decision.

This item was presented by Mr. Denis Thibeault.

Members were informed that no response on the issue of this development has been received from the Ministry.

Most of the objections to this development received fall under the Planning Department and not the NRA.

It was suggested that the Board should not wait on the Ministry, but should be able to discuss and make a decision on what to do (input can be acquired from the Ministry). The proposed road would be a 'finished road' i.e. one for the other.

It was proposed that the Board defer its decision and request clarification on exactly what is being proposed by the developers, will it be a value for money swap? The members agreed with the proposal and Mr. Thibeault will acquire the requested information for the Board.

# c. Request from to close & vest a public footpath between Blk 4E

Director Mrs. Pearlina McGaw-Lumsden returned to the meeting.

This item was presented by Mr. Denis Thibeault.

It was noted that this request was previously brought to the Board June 11, 2011 however no decision was made at the time.

If the boundaries are changed as requested, then the cost of surveying should be shared by the landowners requesting the closing and vesting of this public footpath.

The NRA is to respond to the landowners request with a counter proposal which will include suggesting the landowners paying the cost of surveying.

# d. NRA Annual Report FY10/11

It was noted that the NRA still retained approximately \$948,000 in unearned revenue from the Linford Pierson Highway extension project. Those monies are not available for the organization to use based on the way it is currently appropriated. The suggestion was made that the NRA return that money to the Core Government at which point core Government would return it to the NRA as a new appropriation thereby giving the organization the ability to utilize that cash. Director R. Dunn is to follow up on this matter with the Ministry.

# 5. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2012.

# 6. Adjournment

The motion was moved by Director D. Rankine and seconded by Director Designate R. Dunn for the adjournment of the meeting. The Board agreed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:17pm.

Signature
Chairman of the Board
Confirmation of Minutes – 17.01.12

Date: 14.02.12

Signature
Executive Secretary
Seconded: Confirmation of Minutes

Date: 14.02.11