

CAMDEN COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 18, 2024 ● 5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Landreth called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Chairman Landreth delivered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Landreth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Chairman Terry Landreth – Present

Vice-Chairman Stephen Haughn – Present

Commissioner Lannie Brant – Present

Mayor Kizzi Knight – Present

Councilman Artie Jones Jr. – Present

Councilman Alex Blount – Present

Jimmy Smith – Present

June Maxwell – Present

Ernesto Herring Jr. - Absent

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Maxwell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the regular meeting minutes from December 14, 2023.

The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman Landreth called to add agenda item 7, playground replacement slide for Kingsland Lions Park

Maxwell called to add agenda item 8 discussion on bi-monthly work sessions and agenda item 9, line item financials by specific area of intent.

Vice-Chairman Haughn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to approve the agenda as amended.

The motion carried unanimously

GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

No comments were offered during this time.

REGULAR AGENDA

ADMINSTRATION

1. Attorney Brooks asked the board for nominations, for chair 2024.

Commissioner Brant nominated Councilman Blount, seconded by Mayor Knight.

Vice-Chairman Haughn nominated Chairman Landreth, no second was given. **The motion did not carry.**

The board voted on Councilman Blount for chair.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Chairman Blount asked the board for nominations, for vice-chair.

Councilman Jones nominated Vice-Chairman Haughn, seconded by Landreth.

Maxwell nominated Smith, seconded by Mayor Knight.

Chairman Blount called for a vote for Haughn, for vice-chair.

So voted:

Chairman Blount – No Vice-Chairman Haughn - Yes Commissioner Brant – No Mayor Knight – No Councilman Artie Jones Jr. – Yes Landreth – Yes Smith – No Maxwell – No

The motion did not carry 3-5

Chairman Blount called for a vote for Smith, for vice-chair.

So voted:

Chairman Blount- Yes

Commissioner Brant – Yes

Mayor Knight – Yes

Councilman Jones - No

Haughn - Yes

Landreth-No

Smith - Yes

Maxwell – Yes

The motion carried 6-2.

3. Chairman Blount asked the board for nominations, for secretary.

Commissioner Brant nominated Teresa Patterson, Haughn seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

4. Attorney Brooks reviewed the proposed Executive Director Contract, with the board. The contract will be for 2 years beginning February 12, 2024. The annual salary will be \$90,000. There will be a 6 month performance evaluation and annually thereafter. The contract includes a moving expense not to exceed \$10,000 on a reimbursement basis, with invoices and receipts provided to the PSA.

Chairman Blount asked for a motion to approve the Executive Director Contract.

Landreth made a motion to approve the contract for Ronnie Wilcox as the Executive Director of the Camden County Public Service Authority, seconded by Maxwell.

The motion carried unanimously.

5. The board welcomed Mr. Ronnie Wilcox as the Executive Director of the

Camden County PSA. Mr. Wilcox thanked the board for entrusting him with the position. Mr. Wilcox introduced his wife, Mrs. Robin Wilcox.

- 6. The board recommended postponing the discussion of employee retirement contributions, due to lack of documentation.
- 7. Discussion ensued on amended agenda item, playground replacement slide for Kingsland Lions Park.

Ms. Patterson presented the board with a bid tabulation and recommended going with GameTime, as they are the sole source provider at \$5,563.59.

Landreth made a motion to approve the replacement slide at Kingsland Lions Park, seconded by Commissioner Brant.

The motion carried unanimously.

Vice-Chairman Smith suggested looking at all the properties and setting up a preventive maintenance plan.

Maxwell also suggested looking at all the agreements that have been made between the PSA and different agencies and line item everything that needs to be done.

8. Discussion ensued on amended item, bi-monthly work sessions. Maxwell would like to recommend, that based on past performance the board has been negligent in being able to have understanding of what they were coming into a meeting about. Maxwell feels if the board were to meet at least 2 weeks prior to the regular scheduled meetings that they would be able to have specific discussion and conversations and have logic to what they are voting for.

Councilman Jones asked if this could be taken care of in a work session an hour or so before the regular meeting, rather than another meeting.

Mayor Knight agrees with Jones that prior to the meeting would fit her schedule.

Haughn stated that usually in most recreation departments the Executive Director takes all the issues and puts the parameters around the things that need to be done or information that needs to presented to the board. Haughn feels it would be prudent to let Mr. Wilcox get his feet on the ground and

become more acclimated. In many instances the board can meet with the Executive Director ahead of time in order to gather information they need about agenda items.

Chairman Blount will poll the board to see who would be the mostly likely to attend to be the most fruitful.

9. Discussion ensued on amended item, line item financials. Maxwell says as long as she has been coming to the PSA meetings she has repeatedly asked for line item issues to be discussed with and worked with financials by park.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

The board was presented with a financial update.

PSA HAPPENINGS

Ms. Patterson, presented the board with a report of recent happenings at the PSA, including an update on the parks, special programs/events, aquatics, gymnastics and athletics.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Knight made a motion, seconded by Haughn to adjourn the regular meeting. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Adjourn regular meeting at 6:05PN	Λ
APPROVED IN OPEN SESSION THIS	5DAY OF, 2024.
ALFX BLOUNT, CHAIRMAN	TERESA PATTERSON, SECRETAR