



**CAMDEN COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 19, 2023 • 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	Alex Blount – Present
Vice-Chairman Stephen Haughn – Absent	Jimmy Smith – Absent
Commissioner Lannie Brant – Present	June Maxwell – Present
Mayor Kizzi Knight – Present	Ernesto Herring, Jr. – Present
Artie Jones, Jr. – Present	

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Blount made a motion, seconded by Mayor Knight, to approve the regular meeting minutes from September 21, 2023.

The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Maxwell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant, to approve the agenda as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor John Morrissey, St Marys

Mayor Morrissey invited the board members and staff to tour the new St

Marys City Hall, which is located at the former Express Scripts building.

REGULAR AGENDA

ADMINISTRATION

Discussion ensued regarding the 50 year agreement between the PSA and the Board of Education. Jones has met with AKM Surveying, INC. and discussed some of the areas the PSA needs surveyed, according to most of the board members, which consists of the PSA building and applicable parking area. The survey should be completed within a week to a week and a half.

Commissioner Brant questioned what the PSA is asking for. Jones stated the PSA is asking for the PSA building and the parking area. Commissioner Brant also inquired what would happen to the land where the gymnastics building would be. Jones stated it may not be to our best interest now to entertain that until it's decided whether or not we will be here long term because it will be separated from the PSA building.

Mayor Knight asked what we consider the parking area. Jones said the immediate parking area around the front and back of the building.

Chairman Landreth was contacted by the Board of Education to request the survey. The Board of Education was going to request the survey but decided it was best for the PSA to do the survey, considering the PSA owns the property.

Maxwell asked for clarity on why it would be to the advantage of the PSA to do the survey. Chairman Landreth stated we are the property owners. The property owner has to request the survey.

Maxwell asked if there has been any conversations about monies that would be able to come back to the PSA to recoup what we are losing. Jones said they will discuss that at their meetings with the school board in the future. Maxwell asked if they hadn't already discussed some of that. Jones said not with the school board. Maxwell asked with anyone. Maxwell stated you have been discussing it for one or two months now. The last meeting held with the school board Jones said because the cities and county paid \$500,000 towards the scoreboard he would like to see that money recouped. However, it will not be a deal breaker for him. Maxwell asked for the

rationale of it not being a deal breaker. Jones stated I'm not going to not turn the facility over to them just because they won't give the money back because there is \$2.5 million dollars in deferred maintenance to the stadium. It would be a much higher cost to the cities and the county. We are saving money by calling it a wash.

Commissioner Brant asked if anyone has seen the estimate to repair the stadium or this a guesstimate. He would like to see the estimate.

Blount said the PSA board said at the last meeting the repairs would be between 2 and 2 half million and the school board said they thought it would be closer to 4 million. That is probably closer in line to a bare necessity vs a few more options.

Mr. Johnsen and Chairman Landreth walked the facility with Pope Construction, they had concerns with the drainage, concrete, rebar and wiring. Chairman Landreth will communicate with them to get the estimate for the repairs.

Maxwell asked if the documents would be available for everyone to look at. Jones stated it will be public information.

Commissioner Brant asked if the entire PSA board will be able to see what limits and what the PSA will continue to have the use of it concerning the stadium. Commissioner Brant stated the PSA has never been able to recoup any money off of it. It all goes to the school board, it is off balance. The board will be able to vote for what they believe is the right direction.

ATHLETICS

Staff presented the board with a sports registration update.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Ealy presented the board with a financial update.

Maxwell inquired if someone were to ask us how we spent our monies on a park, how do we answer that. How do we give them a break down, in terms of how are we spending the monies on the parks. Is there a breakdown to where we can logically speak to and tell people.

Chairman Landreth stated every SPLOST project is dictated. In the annual budget there is a parks and recreation budget that listed and that is divided out between the different parks as needs arise. Maxwell questioned how the money is being spent that is allotted to each park and are we documenting how we are spending our money and can we justify the amount. Chairman Landreth stated part of it is staffing and material used, so each one has a breakdown. Each facility has different requirements. The SPLOST projects have a specific project assigned to them. Chairman Landreth will get with Tara to break it down further, as Maxwell has been asking for.

Chairman Landreth directed Maxwell to one of the reports Ealy provided in the financials.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Executive Director Johnsen, 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. The report can be found be on the PSA website and Facebook page.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Brant made a motion, Maxwell seconded, to adjourn the regular meeting and convene executive session.

The motion carried unanimously.

Regular meeting adjourned and convene executive session at 5:55 PM

The board discussed personnel matters

Maxwell made a motion, seconded by Jones to adjourn executive session and resume the regular meeting.

The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn executive session and resume regular meeting at 6:10 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Jones made a motion, seconded by Maxwell to adjourn the regular meeting.

The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn regular meeting at 6:11 PM

APPROVED IN OPEN SESSION THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2023.

TERRY LANDRETH, CHAIRMAN

TERESA PATTERSON, SECRETARY

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