

## RESUME OF MINUTES

Escambia County Restore Act Advisory Committee Meeting  
January 6, 2014 – 4:00 p.m.  
Ernie Lee Magaha Government Building  
BCC Meeting Room, First Floor  
221 Palafox Place  
Pensacola, FL 32502

### Members Present:

Bentina Terry, Chairperson	City of Pensacola
Alan McMillan, Vice-Chair	District 1/Commissioner Wilson B. Robertson
Donnie McMahan	District 2/Commissioner Gene M. Valentino
Al Coby	District 3/Commissioner Lumon J. May
Gregg Beck	District 5/Commissioner Steven L. Barry
Christian Wagley	Environmental Advocacy Group
Harlan Butler	At-large Citizen
Michelle Inere	At-large Citizen

### Members Absent:

Tammy Bohannon	District 4/Commissioner Grover C. Robinson, IV
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### County Staff in Attendance:

Keith Wilkins, Director, Community & Environment Department  
Felicia Knight-Marlow, Directors Aide, Community & Environment Department  
Victoria D'Angelo, Student Assistant, Community & Environment Department  
Taylor "Chips" Kirschenfeld, Senior Scientist, Water Quality & Land Management Division  
Ryan Ross, Assistant County Attorney  
Bill Pearson, Public Information Officer, Public Information Office (PIO)

1. January 6, 2014 meeting called to order at 4:03 p.m.
2. The meeting was advertised in the Pensacola News Journal on December 28, 2014 and January 4, 2014.
3. Attendance – See above.
4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes were amended with the following modifications:

"National Fish and Wildlife Federation" was changed to "National Fish and Wildlife Foundation" and "dispursement" was changed to "disbursement" under agenda item number five (5).

**Motion was made by Alan McMillan to approve the November 18, 2013 minutes as amended. Christian Wagley seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

5. Presentation- *Proposal for Selection of RESTORE Act Projects in Escambia County, FL*  
RESTORE ESCAMBIA: A Citizen's Coalition for Sustainability presented by Susan Bleiler, Susan Feathers, and Mary Gutierrez

Representatives of RESTORE ESCAMBIA presented a proposal to the RESTORE Act Advisory Committee which provided tools for project selection including vision and mission statements, overarching criteria, community perspectives and example letters of intent, project application and review questionnaire, scoring rubric and instructions, suggested technical review Committee and Project "Great Idea" Application. RESTORE ESCAMBIA

proposed that selected projects focus on one or more of the following categories: redevelopment, healthy watersheds and/or workforce development.

6. Criteria and Public Outreach Subcommittees

Keith Wilkins asked the Committee to discuss their desire to form criteria and public outreach subcommittees. Chairwoman Bentina Terry reminded the Committee that they had previously discussed establishment of a criteria subcommittee which would work with the hired consultant to develop project selection criteria and a public outreach subcommittee which would coordinate and hold public workshops within the community at alternative locations and times. Chairwoman Terry requested that further discussion on the topic be postponed to a future meeting.

7. Mission/Vision/Goals/Objectives

Chairwoman Terry suggested that a complete meeting be dedicated to discuss the Committee's mission, vision, goals and objectives. As per Christian Wagley's request, Chairwoman Terry agreed to speak with Mr. Wilkins regarding providing a facilitator to assist in Committee discussions at future meetings.

8. Old Business

a. Scope Review/Consultant Selection Process Update

Mr. Wilkins informed the Committee that the Request for Proposals (RFP) for Escambia County's RESTORE consultant had been released for solicitation on January 6, 2014. He explained that the RFP is available on the County website, and was sent out to thirty-two (32) firms and advertised in the Pensacola News Journal. Mr. Wilkins invited the Committee to offer comments on the released Scope of Service for incorporation into the review of candidate consulting firms. Based on the timeline provided in the RFP, the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) are scheduled to select a consultant on April 17, 2014.

Chairwoman Terry requested that the Committee be permitted to submit their recommendations to the BOCC prior to consultant selection.

As per Alan McMillian's request, Mr. Wilkins summarized the role of the consultant in the Committee's processes. Mr. Wilkins explained that the consultant would be expected to utilize the information which has been presented to the Committee and work with the Committee, County Commission and Staff to compile criteria which applies to the needs of the community. He explained that the hired consultant will provide technical expertise on how to mesh community needs with federal programs, leverage additional funding mechanisms, determine scientific validity of proposed projects and provide an implementation schedule. Wilkins explained that the multiyear plan will likely be reviewed and updated annually for at least five (5) years following its release.

The Committee members discussed the extent in which the consultant will develop project selection criteria. Chairwoman Terry explained that the consultant will likely compile the data received by the Committee and provide critical input, support and suggestions. Mr. Wilkins stated that based on the intent of the Committee's resolution that the consultant will collaborate with the Committee, County Commission and Staff in the development of project selection criteria.

9. New Business

a. Future Presentations

Chairwoman Terry informed the Committee that following Terry Joseph's presentation on February 3, 2014 no future presentations have been scheduled.

10. Public Comment (limit 3 minutes)

David McGehee, 107 Ariola Dr., Pensacola Beach, FL  
Gloria Horning, Ph.D., 33 W. Moreno Dr., Pensacola, FL  
Barbara Albrecht, 1528 E. Brainerd St., Pensacola, FL  
Bill Young, 1812 E. Desoto St., Pensacola, FL  
Sherri Myers, 526 Parker Dr., Pensacola, FL  
Andrew Blewer, 6101 Midas Pl., Pensacola, FL  
Brian Spencer, 3 E. Zaragoza St., Pensacola, FL  
Bev Perry, 622 W. Belmont St., Pensacola, FL

11. Meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

*Presentation(s) and documents presented at the RESTORE Act Advisory Committee meeting on January 6, 2014 can be found at the following link: <http://myescambia.com/restore/docs>.*

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