

**Charleston Naval Complex Redevelopment Authority/Naval Base Museum
Authority**

June 18, 2025

12:30 PM

**Zucker Family Graduate Education Center
Board Room-Second Floor
1240 Supply St.
North Charleston, South Carolina**

MINUTES

Present: RADM William Schachte, Jr. (Ret), Chairman
Ronnie Givens
Ms. Deborah Crosby-Summey
Glenn McConnell
Fred Kemmerlin
Randy Burbage
Alan Coker
Ron Anderson
Gene Hogan
Chris Sullivan

Staff: Ashley St. Marie Office Manager

Advisors: Wilbur Johnson, Esquire Clement Rivers, LLP
Robert Ryan

Others: Kellen Butler Friends of the Hunley
Ric Tapp

1. Call to Order/Determine Quorum. The meeting was called to order at 12:30 PM by the Chairman, RADM Schachte, with a Quorum present.
2. Invocation. RADM Schachte asked that everyone stand for the pledge of allegiance.
3. Approval of Minutes. RADM Schachte asked if there were any discussions needed regarding the March 19, 2025 Board meeting minutes. There being none, a motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Mr. Givens and seconded by Mr. McConnell and unanimously approved.

4. Approval of Agenda. RADM Schachte asked if there were any objections to the agenda. There being none, a motion to approve the agenda as written was made by Mr. Givens and seconded by Mr. Anderson and unanimously approved.

Mr. McConnell addresses the need for the RDA to develop an alternative to the museum on Patriots Point. He makes a motion to carry over the discussion over to executive session and the motion was seconded by Mr. Anderson and unanimously approved.

5. Old Business/New Business.

(1) Budget Report. Mr. Ryan states that the budget report is self-explanatory but that he would answer any questions if needed. Mr. Burbage asks if the RDA shared with Palmetto Railways number on the Revenue and Expenses Detail page of the budget report is a percentage or not. Mr. Ryan informs him that it is based on the percentage of land that Palmetto Railways holds. NO MOTION WAS MADE

(2) Annual Audit Agreement. Mr. Ryan states that the RDA is looking to approve the annual audit services agreement with Veris LLC and authorize the Chairman and/or other appropriate officers to execute all necessary and satisfactory documents and amendments. RADM Schachte asked if there were further discussions. There being none, a motion was made to approve the annual audit agreement by Mr. Givens and seconded by Mr. Anderson and approved unanimously.

(3) Authority FY2025-2026 Annual Budget. Mr. Ryan states that the proposed FY2025-2026 annual operating budget is simple but adds that he would be happy to answer any questions the Board might have regarding it. Mr. Hogan wanted to offer a thank you to the RDA staff for separating the lease income from the event rental income, as he had asked the RDA staff to do so at the previous meeting. NO MOTION WAS MADE

(4) General Projects Update. Mr. Ryan briefly goes over the general projects update. He states that the Coast Guard is by far the biggest developer on the base at the moment. Mr. Burbage asks about the location of these plans and Mr. Ryan was able to point that out to the Board out the window of the conference room. Mrs. Summey asks about the conversation that was had with Mayor Burgess. Mr. Ryan informs her that the city is at the top of their bonding capacity and have no way to give their developer any money and that the city has asked the RDA for \$25M. Mr. Ryan adds that his response was that the legislation is clear on what the RDA can and cannot do with its funding. The conversation shifts to the fixing of the roads on the base by Mr. Kemmerlin stating that he thinks the Port Authority should be responsible for fixing them. Mrs. Summey adds that the RDA gave the City of North Charleston a little over \$1M to move the road (Navy Way) into the parking lot that is next to the chapel. She adds that she would like a timeline of when that will happen and what exactly happened to the money the RDA gave them for that project. Mr. Ryan responds by saying that he will get that information for Mrs. Summey. RADM Schachte asked if there were further discussions. There being none, a motion was made by Mr. Sullivan that the RDA staff is

instructed to request an accounting of the funds given to the City of North Charleston for this project and was seconded by Mr. Burbage and approved unanimously.

Executive Session: A motion was made to receive legal advice and discuss contractual matters pursuant to S.C. Code, Section 30-4-70 (a) (2) by Mr. Burbage and was seconded by Mrs. Summey and approved unanimously.

There was no vote taken in executive session.

6. Date, Time, Location of the next meeting: September 17, 2025 at 12:30 PM at the RDA Office (Quarters H & I) Board Room.

7. Adjournment. There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. McConnell and was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.

RECORDED BY:

Ashley Marie

APPROVED:

12/10/25