

**MINUTES
MID-BAY BRIDGE AUTHORITY
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021**

**CITY OF NICEVILLE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
208 NORTH PARTIN DRIVE
NICEVILLE, FLORIDA**

I. OPENING

Members present: James D. Neilson, Jr.
Gordon E. Fornell
Parker Destin (arrived after Minutes and Treasurer's Report approval)
Kim Wintner
James T. Wood, Jr.

Also present: Van Fuller Executive Director
Michelle Anchors Legal Counsel
Cathy Demoreski Administrative Assistant

Absent: Bryant Paulk FDOT Ex officio, non-voting

II. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Neilson welcomed Mike Griffith, The Bay Beacon.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting – October 21, 2021

A motion to approve the October 21, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Mr. Fornell with a second by Mr. Wintner and a 4-0 vote was taken for approval.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Fornell presented the Treasurer's Report for October 2021. Account balances were:

FNBT	\$ 186,335.80
Regions	\$47,417,278.51

Mr. Fornell made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for October 2021 with a second by Mr. Wood and a 4-0 vote was taken for approval.

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Fuller reported that September traffic is trending above average with total revenue at its highest since 2014. However, expenses have been at their highest as well. Nothing else remarkable to report.

On 1 October 2021 after monthly distribution to debt service accounts and the FDOT reimbursement account, we reimbursed the FDOT \$2.859 million for non-reimbursed repair and restoration. In accordance with the Authority's Series 2015 Official Statement, debt service will continue to increase. This year's FDOT split is ~\$1M less than the highest payment since 2014. The current long and short terms debt to the FDOT includes the cost of recent Bridge repairs.

The Merchants Walk Property Owner's Association (MWPOA) roof and HVAC improvements are underway with our building being worked on this week.

There has been no FDOT update on Pier 104. As previously approved by the Authority a letter was sent to the FDOT District 3 Secretary requesting a Safety Study be conducted on SR293 generally, and specifically the Mid-Bay Bridge.

VI. LEGAL COUNSEL

As promised Ms. Anchors provided the Authority members with the 2021 Florida Commission on Ethics Guide to the Sunshine Amendment and Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees for their reference in lieu of formal training this year.

VII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Wood explained that he represents the Authority as an ex-officio non-voting member of the Okaloosa-Walton Transportation Planning Organization (OWTPO). He reported that the widening of the Spence Parkway has made the five-year cut on the 25-year Long Range Plan to be presented for approval next month. The plan which extends out to 2045 includes some funding for the Parkway widening planning and design, but does not include funding for construction.

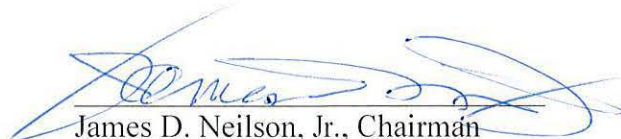
VIII. GENERAL DISCUSSION

The next regular meeting of the Authority will be held a week early due to the Christmas Holiday on **Thursday, December 9, 2021**, at 9:00 a.m. in the Destin City Hall Board Room, Destin, Florida.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:10 a.m.

Approved this 9th day of December 2021.



James D. Neilson, Jr., Chairman