

**HORSHAM LAND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY • JANUARY 16, 2013 • 3:30 PM**

In Attendance:

Authority Board

W. William Whiteside, III, Chair
Joanna M. Furia, Vice Chair
William Donnelly
Curtis Griffin
Mark McCouch

HLRA Staff

Michael J. McGee
Tom Ames
William Walker (absent)
Mary Eberle, Esquire

Chairman Whiteside called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m. in the Horsham Township Municipal Building at 1025 Horsham Road, Horsham PA 19044 and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Whiteside started the meeting by asking if there were any questions or comments from the public. Bill Randall of Horsham asked what the airport was doing to raise money. He suggested the HLRA contact the entertainment industry to let them know the base was available to make movies or TV programs and it would not take away from future development. Mr. Whiteside responded that the movie industry was aware the property was available and the HLRA was keeping their options open; any use would have to be in the best interests of Horsham Township. He noted those type of uses would require the approval of the Navy since they own the property.

Mr. Whiteside asked for the will of the Board regarding the minutes of the HLRA meeting on December 19, 2012. It was moved by Mr. McCouch, seconded by Ms. Furia, to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2012 HLRA meeting. All voted in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Whiteside asked Mr. McGee to provide the Executive Director's Report. Mr. McGee stated that the HLRA had received the executed License from the Navy for the P3 move. The only provision that has changed is the Navy is requiring the move be over hard top/taxiway and they will forward that language onto the DVHAA in the Sublicense so they can repair and move the plane. A question by Mr. Randall on who was paying for the plane to be moved was answered by Mr. Whiteside who advised the DVHAA was responsible for all costs.

Mr. Whiteside asked for the Solicitor's Report. Ms. Eberle indicated she had no report at this time.

Mr. Whiteside asked for the will of the Board regarding the list of checks. It was moved by Mr. Donnelly, seconded by Ms. Furia, to approve the list of checks in the amount of \$18,941.79. All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Under new business, Mr. McGee stated that on December 18, 2012, a sub-committee comprising of Mr. Whiteside, Ms. Furia, Mr. Ames, Mr. Walker and Mr. McGee conducted separate interviews with Matrix Design Group and Weston/RKG. Discussions with Matrix indicated that Matrix's proposed fee included an extensive GIS System beyond the work requested in the RFP. Matrix was asked to resubmit their proposal without the GIS System which reduced their proposal by over \$200,000. Matrix new price came in at \$567,740 compared to Weston at \$475,505. Mr. McGee recommended the Board contract with Matrix team but advised that we did not yet have a contract in a form yet that was acceptable to us. Mr. McGee added that he considered Matrix is better positioned to help us through the process and the investment in them was worthwhile.

Mr. Whiteside complimented the HLRA staff in assisting the Board during the process of reviewing the proposals. He added that the goal is to create the best possible outcome for Horsham.

Ms. Furia moved to authorize the approval of Matrix Design Group, Inc. as the consultant to assist the HLRA with their Economic Development Conveyance Application subject to the execution of a contract in a form acceptable to the HLRA solicitor and staff. The move was seconded by Mr. McCouch. All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Whiteside announced that the next Horsham Land Redevelopment Authority meeting would be on February 20, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. in the Horsham Township Municipal Building. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully,



William T. Walker
HLRA Secretary