

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham  
Board Meeting Minutes  
The Center for Regional Planning and Design  
First Floor Conference Room  
15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2006, 1:30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Honorable Mary Buckelew, Jefferson County Commission  
Mr. Anthony Cicio, City of Mountain Brook  
Mr. Ray Hamilton, Town of Wilsonville  
Honorable Bruce Hamrick, Walker County Commission  
Honorable Glenda Strength, Chilton County Commission  
Honorable Gary White, Jefferson County, Commission  
Honorable James Whitfield, City of Leeds

**MEMBERS REPRESENTED BY ALTERNATE**

Honorable Valerie Abbott, City of Birmingham  
    Represented by Ms. Martha Espy  
Honorable Billy Joe Driver, City of Clanton  
    Represented by Mr. Obie Littleton  
Mr. Reginald Holloway, Shelby County Commission  
    Represented by Mr. Ray Hamilton  
Mr. John Hudson, Jefferson County Commission  
    Represented by Mr. David Hoyle  
Honorable Bernard Kincaid, City of Birmingham  
    Represented by Ms. Renee Kemp Rotan  
Honorable Royce King, Blount County Commission  
    Represented by Honorable Bruce Hamrick  
Honorable Edward May, City of Bessemer  
    Represented by Mr. Rick Owens  
Honorable Roger McCondichie, Town of Brookside  
    Represented by Ms. Annette Drummond  
Ms. Virginia Williams, City of Hoover  
    Represented by Mr. Tim Westhoven

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Honorable Stan Batemon, St. Clair County Commission  
Mr. Richard Dickerson, City of Birmingham  
Honorable Robbie Hayes, Shelby County Commission  
Honorable Michael Johnson, City of Fairfield  
Honorable Larry Langford, Jefferson County Commission  
Mr. Ed Lowe, City of Oneonta  
Mr. Waymon Pitts, Town of Cleveland  
Honorable Sonny Posey, City of Jasper

Honorable Shelia Smoot, Jefferson County Commission  
Honorable Adam Stocks, City of Pell City

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Honorable Loxcil Tuck, City of Tarrant  
Mr. Joel Gilbert, Balch & Bingham  
Mr. Kevin Owens, City of Birmingham  
Ms. Joy Littleton, Chilton County Industrial Development Board  
Mr. Bill Foisy, Regional Planning Commission  
Mr. Toby Bennington, Regional Planning Commission  
Mr. Ray Morris, Regional Planning Commission  
Mr. Voris Williams, Regional Planning Commission  
Ms. Cissy Edwards, Regional Planning Commission  
Ms. Cynthia Barton, Regional Planning Commission

Chairman Bruce Hamrick called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. Ms. Cissy Edwards called the roll and a quorum was declared by the Chairman.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Tim Parker reported the status of the loan with Wachovia Bank. At this time, the terms are being negotiated between the attorneys for Wachovia Bank and Jefferson County. The loan should be ready to close on or before Friday, May 20, 2006.

Based on recommendations from Mr. Parker, a motion was made by Mayor James Whitfield and seconded by Commissioner Mary Buckelew to allow Mr. Tim Parker to establish an interest bearing savings account at Wachovia Bank for the purpose of receiving loan funds and to be a depository for all prepayment match funds and to authorize Mr. Tim Parker to redo all bank signature cards to include Mr. Toby Bennington, Mr. Bill Foisy, Mr. Jack Wright and Ms. Audrey Menniefield with the provision that all checks include Bill Foisy's signature as one of the two required signatures. Motion adopted on a voice vote.

An executed copy of the Jefferson County Resolution authorizing Jefferson County to guarantee loan obligations by RPCGB to Wachovia Bank was distributed to the Board.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mayor James Whitefield, Committee Chair, reported that Mr. Larry Watts' last day of work for the RPC is May 15, 2006 and that he will be on call for providing assistance. Mayor Whitefield stated that the Personnel Committee met and recommends Mr. William R. Foisy as Acting Executive Director. A motion was made by Commissioner Gary White and seconded by Mr. Ray Hamilton to accept the Personnel Committee's recommendation and appoint Mr. Foisy as Acting Executive Director. Motion adopted on a voice vote.

## ACTING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Bill Foisy presented a process and schedule for the RPC Executive Director search. Recommendations were made by Board members to also advertise with the following organizations: National Association of Counties, American Planning Association (assess costs) and to talk to the Jefferson County Personnel Board for additional sources. Ms. Kemp-Rotan expressed concern that the job announcement was not specific enough for regional planning. Mr. Foisy responded that it is an abbreviated version derived from the current Executive Director Job Description in the Pay and Classification Plan adopted by the RPC Board in July 2004. Commissioner Gary White stated that the RPC needs a manager rather than a person focused on planning. Mr. Foisy stated that the Board of Directors will be invited to attend the Personnel Committee meetings.

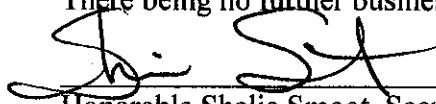
Mr. Foisy stated that the Resolution passed by the Jefferson County Commission calls for a reorganization, therefore, several staff who are on indirect funding will be moved to direct funding.

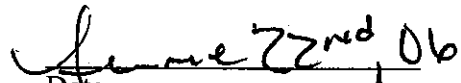
Mr. Foisy, also, reported that the FY07 budget process will begin, to be based on grants and funding sources and in a simpler format. The budget will include a dues increase as called for in the Jefferson County Commission Resolution and several scenarios will be developed to meet this requirement. A letter will be sent to all member governments to notify them of their FY 2007 dues and make them aware of a possible dues increase. Mr. Foisy plans to meet with the Program Budget and Finance Committees prior to the next Board meeting.

Mr. Foisy provided a list of Board meeting dates for the remainder of 2006 as follows.

- June 14 - Called Board meeting, 10:30 a.m., RPC
- July 12 - Regular Board meeting, 10:30 a.m., RPC
- August 9 - Called Board meeting, 10:30 a.m., RPC
- September 13 - Regular Board meeting, 10:30 a.m., RPC
- November 8 - Regular Board meeting, 10:30 a.m., RPC

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

  
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Honorable Shelia Smoot, Secretary

  
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