

VISIT MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST BOARD
OCTOBER 27, 2016
OFFICIAL MINUTES

The Visit Mississippi Gulf Coast Board met Thursday, October 27, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at its office located at 2350 Beach Blvd, Suite A, Biloxi, Mississippi.

Commissioners Present: Clay Wagner, President; Carla Todd, Secretary; Bill Holmes; CeCe Shabazz; Chett Harrison; Danny Hansen; Kim Fritz; Myron Webb; Nikki Moon; Rich Westfall; Richard Chenoweth

Commissioners Absent: Pam Meinzingler, Vice President; Duncan McKenzie, Treasurer; John Carter; LuAnn Pappas

Staff Members Present: Renée Areng, Executive Director; Janice Jefferson, Director of Sales, Karen Conner, Director of Marketing; Cindy Jo Calvit, Executive Administrative Assistant

Others Present: Hugh Keating, Legal Counsel; Gloria Frey, Mississippi Coast Coliseum and Convention Center and Advisory Member; Clay Williams, Gulfport-Biloxi Airport Authority and Advisory Member; Sonja Gillis, Lynn Meadows Discovery Center and Advisory Member; Linda Hornsby, Mississippi Hotel and Lodging Association; Myrna Green, Hancock County Tourism Commission; Jonathan Brannan, WLOX; Craig Sweeney, Mississippi Gulf Coast Marathon

President Wagner called the meeting to Order.

1. Commissioner Chenoweth made the motion to accept the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Hansen, the president called the question, with the following results:

Commissioner Carter	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Meinzingler	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Chenoweth	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Moon	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Fritz	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Pappas	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Hansen	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Shabazz	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Harrison	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Todd	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Holmes	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Webb	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner McKenzie	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Westfall	Voted ---- Yes

The motion having been duly made, seconded, and a favorable vote received from the Board, the president declared the motion adopted October 27, 2016.

2. Commissioner Moon made the motion to accept the minutes from the September 27, 2016 meeting as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Hansen, the president called the question, with the following results:

Commissioner Carter	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Meinzingler	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Chenoweth	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Moon	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Fritz	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Pappas	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Hansen	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Shabazz	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Harrison	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Todd	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Holmes	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Webb	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner McKenzie	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Westfall	Voted ---- Yes

The motion having been duly made, seconded, and a favorable vote received from the Board, the president declared the motion adopted October 27, 2016.

3. President Wagner welcomed all Advisory Members and Guests.
4. Renée Areng, Executive Director, reported on the following items:
- Key Performance Indicators- September 2016 (attached)
 - Current Activities
 - Hancock County Tourism Report
 - Mississippi Gulf Coast Marathon Update, Craig Sweeney

5. Commissioner Chenoweth made the motion to approve the Cooperative Agreement with Gulfport-Biloxi Regional Airport Authority. Seconded by Commissioner Westfall, the president called the question, with the following results:

Commissioner Carter	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Meininger	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Chenoweth	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Moon	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Fritz	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Pappas	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Hansen	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Shabazz	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Harrison	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Todd	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Holmes	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Webb	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner McKenzie	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Westfall	Voted ---- Yes

The motion having been duly made, seconded, and a favorable vote received from the Board, the president declared the motion adopted October 27, 2016.

Recommendation by Legal Counsel was to have each Commissioner acknowledge their approval/disapproval by signing the attached Resolution. For those Commissioners absent, the Resolution was emailed asking them to print, sign and scan back to Cindy Jo Calvit, Executive Administrative Assistant.

6. Commissioner Hansen made the motion to approve the Financial Statements as of September 30, 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Harrison, the president called the question, with the following results:

Commissioner Carter	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Meininger	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Chenoweth	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Moon	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Fritz	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Pappas	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Hansen	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Shabazz	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Harrison	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Todd	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Holmes	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Webb	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner McKenzie	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Westfall	Voted ---- Yes

The motion having been duly made, seconded, and a favorable vote received from the Board, the president declared the motion adopted October 27, 2016.

7. Commissioner Hansen made the motion to approve the check disbursements totaling \$370,477.23 and the expenses paid by credit card totaling \$39,364.84. Seconded by Commissioner Harrison, the president called the question, with the following results:

Commissioner Carter	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Meininger	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Chenoweth	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Moon	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Fritz	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Pappas	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Hansen	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Shabazz	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Harrison	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Todd	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Holmes	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Webb	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner McKenzie	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Westfall	Voted ---- Yes

The motion having been duly made, seconded, and a favorable vote received from the Board, the president declared the motion adopted October 27, 2016.

8. Commissioner Hansen made the motion to approve following the State Procedures for Capital Expenses. Seconded by Commissioner Moon, the president called the question, with the following results:

Commissioner Carter	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Meininger	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Chenoweth	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Moon	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Fritz	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Pappas	Voted ---- A&E
Commissioner Hansen	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Shabazz	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Harrison	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Todd	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner Holmes	Voted ---- Yes	Commissioner Webb	Voted ---- Yes
Commissioner McKenzie	Voted ---- A&E	Commissioner Westfall	Voted ---- Yes

The motion having been duly made, seconded, and a favorable vote received from the Board, the president declared the motion adopted October 27, 2016.

9. Reminders

- State of the Tourism Industry Annual Meeting
This Afternoon 4:00pm - 6:00pm Lynn Meadows Discovery Center

- VMGC Monthly Board Meeting- November
Thursday, November 17, 2016 9:00am - 10:30am VMGC Board Room
(Scheduled earlier in month due to Thanksgiving Holiday)
- VMGC Monthly Board Meeting- December
Thursday, December 15, 2016 9:00am - 10:30am VMGC Board Room
(Scheduled earlier in month due to Christmas Holiday)

10. President Wagner adjourned meeting.