

**MOTIONS PASSED AT THE COMBINED BOARD MEETING, Tuesday, Dec 09, 2025**

Approved Nov 5, 2025, Meeting Minutes

**Mr. Dibenedictis Moved; Seconded by Mr. Patronis**

Action Item A

**Mr. Phillips Moved; Seconded by Mr. Dibenedictis**

Action Item B.

**Mr. Phillips Moved; Seconded by Mr. Jarman**

Action Item C.

**Mr. Johns Moved; Seconded by Mr. Walsingham**

COMBINED BOARD MEETING  
Bay County Tourist Development Council  
Panama City Beach Convention & Visitors Bureau, Inc.  
Panama City Beach

Tuesday, December 09, 2025

09:00 a.m.

Council Room, PCB City Hall

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chairman Pease called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Board Members:

Jason Branks

Jeff DiBenedictis

Clair Pease (Chairman)

Yonnie Patronis (Treasurer)

Andy Phillips

Mike Jarman

Ethan Register

Gary Walsingham

Eight Members Present at the time of Roll Call.

Reggie Johns (Vice-Chair) Arrived at 9:10am

- A. Invocation  
Mr. Jarman
- B. Pledge of Allegiance  
Ms. Pease
- C. Approve Nov 5, 2025, Meeting Minutes  
**Mr. Dibenedictis Moved; Seconded by Mr. Patronis to approve**  
**Motion passed unanimously with eight members.**

**III. REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS (3 Minutes)**

NONE

**IV. ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Mexico Beach Tilling Bid Award, Lisa Armbruster (TDC/CVB)  
Lisa Armbruster discussed the tilling project that went out to bid, and Coastal Parasail was the lowest bid. She asked the board to approve award of the contract.

**Mr. Phillips Moved; Seconded by Mr. Dibenedictis to approve**  
**Motion passed unanimously with eight members.**

- B. CPE Task Order 12 for the Bay County Regional Sand Search Design Level Investigations and Permitting, Lisa Armbruster (TDC/CVB)  
Lisa Armbruster discussed the sand search which has located the next areas that will be used for future beach renourishment projects. She said they are in phase three and will come back to the board with sand samples. She then answered questions from the board. She said this will increase the area they are able to borrow from. She stated that the shell content will be removed if it is a problem.

**Mr. Phillips Moved; Seconded by Mr. Jarman to approve**  
**Motion passed unanimously with nine members. (Mr. Johns arrived at 9:10am)**

- C. SABRE Center Civil Work Bid Recommendation of Award, Elizabeth Moore, Anchor CEI (TDC/CVB)  
Ms. Moore discussed the civil work, and a recommendation for award for phase 1 for the SABRE facility.  
Bids were received and she recommends the award go to the low bid from GCUC.

**Mr. Johns Moved; Seconded by Mr. Walsingham to approve**

**Motion passed unanimously with nine members. (Mr. Johns arrived at 9:10am)**

**V. PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Update on the Status of North Three Fields Project at Publix Sports Park, Richard Sanders  
Mr. Sanders discussed the progress of the Astro Turf project at the sports park.

**VI. DISCUSSION ITEM**

- A. Discuss Housing for FHP Officers during Spring Break. (TDC/CVB)  
Mr. Rowe stated that he is having the Sales Team put together a co-op package to go to lodging partners asking for complimentary rooms or best rate rooms for the FHP officers while they are here to assist during spring break and peak times. He suggested that costs associated with funding their stay be taken from the current Public Safety reserves which total approximately 3.5 million dollars. At this time, this is a discussion item but will be brought back to the board after the properties respond to the inquiry for assistance.

Chairman Pease recognized that this was Mr. Walsingham's last meeting as a member of the board and thanked him for his service. Mr. Rowe presented him with a handmade candle made at Mr. Rowe's expense. Mr. Walsingham thanked the board and staff for the work they have done over the years.

**VII. PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Mr. Rowe stated that special events have been growing and very successful. He also gave a presentation showcasing Beach Home for the Holidays and a video produced by Rhett Miller our new marketing staff member. He then showed the NYE Beach Ball Drop commercial. He discussed the success of this event and how Mr. Richard Sanders started the event.

Mr. Rowe then presented a handmade bowl that he made at his own expense to Richard Sanders to commemorate Mr. Sanders for his retirement. He then discussed that Mr. Sanders wanted a golf cart for his retirement. He said that public funds could not be used for such an expenditure, so he asked for donations from friends and staff. Mr. Rowe stated for the record that no public funds were used for that retirement gift of a golfcart for Mr. Sanders. It was funded by donations.

Mr. Sanders spoke thanking everyone for 18 years of working with a good team. He reviewed his relationship with the community as well as the CVB team and CVB Board.

**VIII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

NONE

**IX. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

NONE

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Cook, Recording Secretary