

Port Royal Redevelopment Commission
January 21, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Commission Members Present

Mrs. Bernadette Clayton
Mrs. Virginia Eads
Mrs. Katelyn Fosson
Mr. Nathan Sturre

Commission Members Absent

Mr. Joe Poirier

- I. Call to Order – 4:34 PM
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - i. No meeting minutes from December meeting were provided to approve
- III. Status of Port Royal Pride Projects – Distribution of Funds
 - i. Port Royal Center
 - Work has been completed with invoices submitted
 - Question raised when to pay applicants (to be discussed in February Meeting)
 - ii. Mrs. B's
 - Possibly Complete, Mrs. Eads to follow up
 - iii. Vendors Market
 - Work complete and ready to submit invoices
- IV. Art Space Discussion Update
 - i. Mrs. Fosson has been coordinating directly with Developers
 - ii. Another Meeting with Mr. Suber was scheduled for 1/22, Mrs. Fosson and her art co-op friend to attend
 - iii. All commission members agreed the building behind Maggie Maes is a great location
 - iv. Space would most likely be temporary with developers wanting to relocate once more development for the Port begins
 - Use of shipping containers would provide artists with private space that could be locked when not in use and easily relocated when required
 - v. Port Developers would also like to use the art space for events
 - vi. Mrs. Fosson expressed optimism that this project would be moving forward based on her discussions with Developers
 - vii. Commission discussed use of leftover funds from Port Royal Pride program to help develop space
 - viii. Idea was floated to possibly bring in other local businesses for funding to make this happen
- V. Economic Commission – Converge – update from Attendees
 - i. Mrs. Clayton and Mr. Sturre were in attendance from the commission
 - ii. Key take away was the importance of planning for the future development desired by the community
 - This includes building spec buildings to attract the desired industry
 - Providing a quality of life/training programs to attract desired work force to the area

- iii. Commission members all agreed Port Royal should keep the “local feel” and not become another Hilton Head Island or Myrtle Beach
- iv. Discussions went into Short Term Rentals & Shrimp Docks in the future of Port Royal
- v. All commission members agreed with the importance of bringing high speed internet to Downtown Port Royal & improving cell reception
- VI. Signs – review examples provided by Joe Poirier
 - i. Mixed reviews from commission members
 - ii. Further discussion when Mr. Poirier is present
- VII. Public Comment – 2 minutes per person
 - i. No Public Comments
- VIII. Other Items
 - i. Mrs. Eads announced she would be stepping down as Commission Chairperson but would like to remain on commission
 - Mrs. Clayton Volunteered to be new Chairperson
 - Approved by all commissioners in attendance
 - ii. Mrs. Fosson announced she will be relocating to California within the next year
- IX. Adjournment – 5:45 PM