

**MINUTES OF NORTH BREVARD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ZONE (NBEDZ)
SPECIAL DISTRICT BOARD, GOVERNING BODY OF THE SPACEPORT
COMMERCE PARK AUTHORITY**

April 11, 2025 @ 8:30 a.m.

Brevard Room
400 South Street
Titusville, Florida 32780

Board Members:

In Attendance: Bart Gaetjens, Dan Aton, Rodney Honeycutt, Robert Jordan, Jeff Gray, Donn Mount, Stan Retz, and Edna Wilson

Absent: Dr. Brenda Fettrow

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Bart Gaetjens

I. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Dan Aton, seconded by Edna Wilson, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried and ordered unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Stan Retz, seconded by Donn Mount, to approve the minutes from March 14, 2025. Motion carried and ordered unanimously.

Troy Post, CEcD, CBE, NBEDZ Executive Director, stated he wanted to address the protocol because obviously this week there was some developments going on and if the press were to contact a Zone member, what is the protocol and what would be his or her position with the press; there is a protocol to follow with the County, who has a Public Affairs Office and Don Walker is in charge of that department and is a liaison for the County with the media; generally if there is a request to talk to someone with *Florida Today* or one of the local news outlets, Mr. Walker is asked first to see if he wants to meet with them; and going forward if the press contacts the Zone, it may speak with them in general terms or pass the request along to himself and he will reach out to Mr. Walker and see how he would like to proceed. He stated there may have been some comments passed along to the Zone from the County Attorney's Office, the vote that took place this last week was not the end of the process but the beginning of the process; also there will be times when the public will be allowed to weigh in on the topic; the Zone board members may attend the County Commission Meetings if it has to do with its topic; he will notice those meetings of the County Commission as public meetings of North Brevard Economic Development Zone (NBEDZ) so that there is not an issue with the Sunshine Law; be careful not to make comments that could be interpreted as negotiations with the County Commission, they set the policy and the Zone must follow the policy that is set; in general terms of what could be said could be about the benefit of the Zone and projects that have been done in the past, as examples of infrastructure, redevelopment, and business attraction; and he hopes that is clear, but please contact the Assistant County Attorney, Justin Caren, or the County Attorney Morris Richardson. He stated for the most part it will be business as usual with a couple of exceptions, but for the time being there will be a moratorium on bringing items before

the Zone board and for any financial assistance requests until there is better clarity; the Zone has communicated some figures to the County Manager's Office, in terms of what the outstanding obligations are, and it would behoove the board not to enter into any financial obligations; things that have been approved by the Zone board, which there may not be agreements executed, of which there is one on the Agenda for today, but there has already been a commitment through the Zone board, the day it came before the Zone board that has been recorded, and is in the minutes; they can go forward and approve those agreements and over the next few months he would probably bring some of those agreements to the Zone board; a good example is one project approved in February that has to do with that US 1 project, the Zone could still conduct business as usual and will be representing the County, land dealings, and the Spaceport Commerce Park; there is one of those on the Agenda today, there are still some things to do; however, the Zone board would not enter into any new financial commitments until there is more clarity; it would not do or say anything that may be interpreted as trying to influence the outcome of what the County Commission is going to do; and it would be up to them to debate.

Bart Gaetjens stated he knows emotions are high right now, but he reminded the Zone board it is representatives of both the City and the County and were appointed not elected; allowing the Elected Officials, with all due respect to them, to make the decisions they have to make; the Zone board could voice its opinion and go to the meetings, but as a representative of this board; he thinks it is good if they talk about it, because this is the only time they get to meet and talk; and if anybody has any comments, please sign a comment card.

II. Report on Expenditures to Budget

Troy Post, CEcD, CBE, NBEDZ Executive Director, stated not much is new at this point; the Zone is about mid-way through the Fiscal Year and tracking is normal in all areas; some outflow is only on operating expenses and personnel; and no new grants and disbursements were made in the last 30 days.

The Report on Expenditures was accepted into the record as presented.

III. Staff and Partnership Reports/Updates

North Brevard Economic Development Zone Executive Director Report

Troy Post, CEcD, CBE, NBEDZ Executive Director, stated he met the new person at the Boeing Company who is the State and Local Government Representative; they talked about some things the company is going through, which has been well reported on, though there has been a lot of progress; the company has a significant presence, not just locally but Statewide, with more than 2,300 employees; it is still an important firm for the Zone and there is still good contact with the Space Systems Division; he believes they will still have significant impact on the local economy; and he looks forward to working with them and seeing what other projects the Zone may assist with. He stated he met with Jonathon Baker, sort of the Tom Engler replacement out at National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), Mr. Baker is a local from Titusville and has been with NASA for many years, and he worked on the International Space Station (ISS) Program; Mr. Baker would like to come to the North Brevard Economic Development Zone (NBEDZ) meetings at some point to share updates; he talked with

Mr. Gaetjens about some other partners at Kennedy Space Center (KSC) would like to come to the meetings and give updates; a few partners were added to the Agenda as well; and there is a lot going on at KSC with Amazon and what SpaceX is doing as well. He mentioned meeting with Cecily Lavender who is with Lockheed and he wanted to get an update on some previous projects, as well as the current Project "TOPAZ"; he also had a tour of the improvements at the Titusville Mall site with Jesse Wright, it is significant what is being done with the infrastructure improvements, though it is hard to tell from the road; substantial progress is being made with the stormwater retention ponds, walls systems, and one design has a small lake with a pool in the middle where the apartment units will be; he went before the Titusville City Council this past week and it formally approved the agreement for that incentive and he appreciates the support from the Titusville Mayor and City Council; and the next step is to go before the County Commission, the project is slated to be for City Tax Increment Financing (TIF) funds, so the decision this past week affects only the County TIF, not the City TIF, and they could still go and make the presentation before the County Commission to see if it will agree to use up the City TIF money for that project; and Mr. Wright is making significant progress and he feels very encouraged by that. He stated he and Nicolas Gow had a chance to talk with a gentlemen from RESimplifi about the building database; that group is making progress and may be live by the end of the month, or in early May, which will be a really good tool; and in terms of the Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast (EDC) prospects, it has been very quiet; and an update from the International Economic Development Council (IEDC) provided a summary of the current global policy that he wanted to share with the Zone board, that perhaps companies on the sidelines are waiting to see what the long-term policies would have globally before starting on any Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) Projects. He mentioned he participated in an online course, and in terms of Small Business Seminars, he talked with Robin Braswell from the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) who is promoting the Space Coast BizFest which will be at the Cocoa Exhibition Center at the end of April; Ms. Braswell suggested that the Zone help promote that event instead of trying to compete by having another event for North Brevard a week later; he suggested pushing the NBEDZ business seminar to August and he pointed out the sample itinerary of how the Business Seminar for North Brevard would look; that it is an opportunity to have entrepreneurs meet with people in the lending community and people who have borrowed funds for business purposes to see what kind of lessons were learned; and there may even be a series. He talked to Bill Gary with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and Erin Akins from the Titusville Chamber of Commerce about promoting the event; the City also provided the Professional Tax Receipt (PTR) from last year for businesses that received the Business Tax License which is a good database; and that is even collecting email addresses now and is a good source of contacts to get the word out.

Brevard County

Kristin Lortie, District 1 Chief of Staff, stated Commissioner Delaney sends her regrets that she was not able to be there due to traveling; and she did make extensive comments on the NBEDZ topic at Tuesday's Board of County Commissioner Meeting, that is a public recording if anyone is interested.

Bart Gaetjens stated he watched and he recommended that the Zone board also watch it to see what is going on for them to have a better understanding on the battle she led, the comments, and what the County is facing; and for the Zone board to have a full picture of what is going on.

City of Titusville

Andrew Connors, City of Titusville Mayor, stated he also listened to the Board meeting discussing the North Brevard Economic Development Zone (NBEDZ) and just because it has been 10 years post-recession that economic development is not done, it is an ongoing battle that does not just stop; just continue to be competitive since Texas is trying to steal the space agency and the State has not done much; and North Brevard and Titusville must come together and ask the Elected Officials at the higher level to get involved and to drive more opportunities here. He introduced Tom Abbate City of Titusville Interim City Manager, while the search is ongoing for a City Manager; and he is also excited about Nick Gow's initiative of RESimplifi, which will come in handy because he gets calls from businesses who want to move here and are not sure what is available, and having the ability to know how much business space is available to move the deal and help the economic development here.

Titusville-Cocoa Airport Authority (TCAA)

Kevin Daugherty, TCAA Director, stated the big thing since the last meeting is that Health First is up and operational at the airport; First Flight is here in North Brevard doing its thing 24/7 and are based at the Fire Station, and have the hangar next to it; Health First is already in talks about building its own facility; and they are happy being there and having better response times compared to Melbourne. He stated it is quiet on the Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast (EDC) front lately, but are working with some Brevard County folks that are interested in expanding; and two of those have some new military contracts so they need some space, C SPEED is one, and then one company out of Melbourne, DSI Aero that does aircraft modifications and aircraft engineering are interested in this area. He mentioned infrastructure projects as Runway 1836 construction rehab begins May 5, 2025; the runway will be closed for two or three months this summer; the Air Traffic Control Tower, the city just issued building permits and utility relocation could now begin; and the Challenger Avenue extension Phase One, which the Zone funded the design, this summer the design would be finalized, and would be up for bid construction this fall.

IV. New Business Items

Request for Industrial Land Purchase: Raider Outboards

Troy Post, CEcD, CBE, NBEDZ Executive Director, stated the Zone has worked with Raider Outboards since they were in a small building in downtown Titusville; they have since moved to the Spaceport Commerce Park, the Zone helped them acquire that building through a grant and also sold some additional County property to them to expand; Raider Outboards has also had the opportunity to acquire a business that was in bankruptcy; and this is a great opportunity to bring in a new operation and expand employment in this area. He stated a Fiscal Impact Analysis was done to explain what the ask is, which is to purchase eight additional acres to the east, a map has been

provided to show current and expansion areas, and other options with surrounding businesses in that area; and they have offered \$55,000 per acre.

George Woodruff, President of Raider Outboards, stated he thanked the Zone for all it has done and in July of last year a vendor called him to let him know of an opportunity from a company called Pure Watercraft, Inc. out of Seattle, Washington; this company was worth \$600 million in 2023, in 2011 the company generated \$37 million to develop an electric outboard motor; in 2020, General Motors put in \$150 million to be a part of the outboard motor development; however, in 2023, they made a decision to bring back \$60 million which led to financial hardship; he got in touch with the President of the company and in a short time he was able to purchase the whole company; it is a major opportunity to be able to supply the military with electric outboard motors; and they have a lot of materials coming in from this purchase and it would take about a year to turnaround the product to the military. He stated this is a family-owned company, his son and grandsons who are engineers are responsible, as he wants to see that this company is here for the next generation.

Michael Woodruff stated he wanted to cover the assets the company has acquired and its future growth; additionally, he will share about the eight acres and the types of buildings to be built: right now they are working on 10,000 square feet at the back of the facility with the electric motor acquisition and they have nowhere to store all the equipment, but they have temporary storage; they hope within the next six months the new building would be complete; they are also looking for a new battery supplier; he brought a motor for the Zone board to see; and it would need more than the 10,000 square foot warehouse to manufacture the outboards since it is American built and a manufactured product completely made in this area in conjunction with Harmony Castings. He stated in order to assemble those components they would need a cleaner facility than they have because it is an electric component assembly; as a result, in the next two years with the addition to the eight acres, they would like to build another 20,000 square foot facility for assembly of the current gasoline-powered outboard engines, and to assemble the electric outboards as well; and next is the eight acres they are hoping to acquire, with a diagram of the future growth adding a 20,000 square foot facility for assembly, and a third building would be for testing and storage at some point.

Stan Retz asked if the lake shown was big enough to use for testing the boat.

Michael Woodruff answered yes; he stated they are hoping it would be big enough to get the boats up to speed; right now the engines are tested in a tank with each motor running for approximately 30 minutes to ensure it is running properly; usually one out of every 10 to 20 engines are taken to Fox Lake to do testing; this lake would keep it closer to the facility; and right now it takes three guys half of a day to do testing. He mentioned the site map with the business beside them and what the current drainage of that business is planning; if Raider Outboards are authorized to include the lake, then he would have them leave the land full and expand the building in the future; like George Woodruff said, when they go into development they will be focusing on military applications for the engine; they have been talking to H-1 Hydrogen on liquid hydrogen fuel cells, in his opinion it will take three to four years before they get to the commercial market because of the battery solutions that are available; and, however, in the interim they are hoping to be selling them to the military. He stated they have a facility in South Africa and because of

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) overreach they were pressured to open two buildings of 10,000 square feet each, one with boat manufacturing and one with engine manufacturing; recently the EPA has allowed for them to get a few more engines in and has been working with them; they are bringing some production back to the U.S.; and the wonderful thing about the South Africa facility is they have inflatable boat assembly people where Raider Outboards employs 20 people to assemble them.

The Zone board discussed the boats being assembled in South Africa.

Michael Woodruff stated another product is the Beaching Propeller which has a flared edge and would be a little bit safer in the water; years ago, when Marines were training in the water and had several people floating, the boat came to rescue them and the previous engine propellers would cause injury and were also a bit slower; and they developed this B-2 Prop, which brought back speed, is a lot safer, and would not harm marine life. He mentioned a quick outline of other products such as the manufacturing of outboard engines and the Multi-Fuel Air Droppable and Submersible; they also have a Foreign Trade Zone set up that they are hoping to shut down in a year or so; there is a list of military branches they work with and have different International Contracts; the EPA is starting to allow them to sell internationally, however, they want the manufacturing back in the United States; with outboard engines, they are currently doing an Autonomous System, which the military is moving more towards this because it is safer; and the first project they are moving to is being able to deploy the engines from a C-130, when the boat hits the water it will inflate, start up to go and find survivors which have a tracking device that the boat could find or be remote controlled, and that is still in the development phase but are sending out prototypes.

The Zone board discussed the lake size for drainage; and Jeff Gray wanted to disclose he worked with George Woodruff many years ago.

Michael Woodruff stated one project he forgot to mention is a hybrid outboard motor they are working on with Falcon Marine in Titusville, which is a small electric 10 horsepower unit and would function as a generator that is about two years out.

Robert Jordan asked what the last deal was made on the cost of land.

Mr. Post replied there are proposals that must go before the County Commission that have been at \$65,000 an acre and also \$63,000 an acre, MJW Fire Protection Inc. located south of George Woodruff's property at the Spaceport Commerce Park, and another was ETA Space which was a two to two and one half acres lot, closer to Woodgrain Distribution that came in at \$65,000.

The Zone board discussed the lots to be acquired, the retention pond; whether there needed to be dredging in the wetlands area; the price offered on the acres to be sold and that there are different variables depending on if the property could be used effectively, a fair price to be accepted; City codes, the offer would need to go before the Commission for acceptance, how it is presented is important, that it is a purchase of eight acres with only five usable acres, and the wetland situation of how to zone for that.

Motion by Robert Jordan, seconded by Rodney Honeycutt, to approve the sale of approximately eight acres of additional land in the Spaceport Commerce Park to the company known as Raider Outboards, for the price of \$55,000 per acre, provided that the deed contain the same clawback provisions as are present in recent land sales of Spaceport Commerce Park property with the understanding that the reason it is low in value is that it is a lesser quality property. Motion carried and ordered unanimously.

V. Old Business Items

APPROVAL 'as to form' G&G Property Management, LLC (Orange Plumbing)

Troy Post, CEcD, CBE, NBEDZ Executive Director, stated this is the project from Larry Graham, Owner of Orange Plumbing, who came to ask for help with mitigating the cost of finishing a building he owns on SR 405; there was a grant approved for up to \$250,000 which would come as a reimbursement for certain infrastructure and improvement costs he would make to the property; what the Zone board would do today is to approve 'as to form'; as a reminder, in the agreement on page four, it talks about the project description; Section 3.2, is how the incentive would be disbursed and what needs submitted before disbursing money, which he would need a Certificate of Occupancy for occupying the building for a set time, with a tenant who is operating inside the building; and in Section 6.1, it has the clawback provision which is a standard deal for redevelopment. He asked the Zone board to consider adopting this agreement.

Motion by Robert Jordan, seconded by Stan Retz, to approve 'as to form' G&G Property Management, LLC (Orange Plumbing) Agreement as presented. Motion carried and ordered unanimously.

Bart Gaetjens stated when he moved here in 1990 and worked throughout the County, there was somewhat of an economic divide that starts around the Beachline and heads north; people have the misconception that North Brevard has the Space Center and it does not need help; and after the Space Shuttle missions there was a need for diversity, this area is not dependent on the Space Center. He stated to him it was like an economic iron curtain, North Brevard needs the Zone, it needs this ability to help this area; and the Commissioners knew what they would do, and he wished they gave the Zone board more time. He stated they should talk to his or her community leaders and let them know what is going on here, the benefits show them what the Zone has done; people think it is about helping Jeff Bezos or Elon Musk, which is not the case; and it is all about businesses. He respects the Commission vote, but there is more to follow, and he wanted to give everyone a chance to express his or her opinion.

Mr. Post stated he has a list of what the Zone is about and its accomplishments if anyone wanted a copy to hand out; also, the future goals, balance forward money and where the money is slated to go; and he encouraged the Zone board to refer to the portfolio that is out there.

Mr. Gaetjens stated does not want to see the community take a step back; he has traveled the County and he is proud to be from Titusville; he has talked to many people who have noticed the development in this area and they really believe it needs to continue, otherwise there would be the perception of the haves and have nots; that is not right for the County, it is tough on the leaders to have that perception; and he does not want a reemergence of the economic iron curtain.

Robert Jordan stated the people on the Zone board love and want to serve Brevard, they love the people and want to see growth, and make the area very good; he has a lot of contacts throughout the County and he had heard comments previously, years ago of how bad North Brevard was until the inception of the North Brevard Economic Development Zone, this area had no fighting power; he wanted to give credit to Robin Fisher who helped North Brevard be on an even playing field and started the Zone, he also gave honor to Troy Post who has been very dedicated and non-political, advising, and advising him, he is emotional about what the Zone does; there have been many complaints about the fact that some of the Zone board members have served for years, he has served on many boards for years, but no one gets paid or receives accolades, only negative feedback from people who do not know what is really going on; some people complain that the traffic is too much, but if the population stayed at 40,000 and when the taxes go up, and the 40,000 would have to pay it all; and North Brevard could not survive without people with higher paying jobs and how important the small business owners are. He commented on the decision of the Commissioners and that he gets along with almost all of them; they are trying to do the right thing, however, this is a Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), no other CRA got shut down, just this one and it would not resolve the firefighter problem; for the Zone to give up millions of dollars that is helping North Brevard and return to \$300,000 or so a year, North Brevard is going backwards, it cannot go backwards in this economy; if this area does not continue to fight everything is going to suffer, including real estate; and there are avenues to try to resolve the decision but politics are volatile, respecting the Commissioners and not talking negative, and staying positive about the situation. He stated this decision was like a slap in the face for North Brevard, like they do not care what is going on in North Brevard; perhaps the motives were good, but he feels it was not in the best interest of this area; he loves and cares for everyone on the Zone board; and he wants it to continue to support what the Zone is doing for the community.

Stan Retz stated he has been on the Zone board from the beginning and he has seen great things; he spoke up at the City Council meeting a few weeks ago in support for the Police Chief to clarify a few misconceptions and he got blasted on social media; they are here serving the community by choice, it cost something to do this, and they do not get paid; he encouraged people to speak up and he talked about the first project with the Zone, even when Space Perspective failed, they never got a dime; and how the Zone benefits the community through Return on Investment, that it is a way to bring in tax money through different taxes and other forms of investing.

Dan Aton stated his feelings are of disappointment; the March meeting was one of the best the Zone had, talking about the legacy and how the next half of the Zone could create huge benefits to the County and community, beyond the business community; things with small business and to continue with what has been done and even refocus on the community; it was positive and energizing of what lies ahead and then this happened; and he agreed with what was said from others.

Jeff Gray stated the Zone board are stewards of tax payer dollars and as taxpayers, people want the Commission and stewards of taxpayer dollars to be a brain trusted community and cross section of expertise that can make sound decisions of how money is spent and that is what was created with this board; when he was asked to be on the Zone board he was all in, even after committing to other charities, and he could not say no; and he just wanted to say they are good stewards of the taxpayers dollars.

Edna Wilson stated she grew up here and her dad worked at the Space Center for 47 years and he would bring home a magazine called *Spin Offs* and how the spin-offs really affected this community; she shared that the spin-offs the Zone created, people do not see all that has really been accomplished; she wants to give back to the community and share things the public needs to know about, what they do, and how the Zone affected this community; and to get ideas of how to share what has been done economically for the community.

Donn Mount stated he absolutely agreed with everyone's statements.

Rodney Honeycutt stated he watched the County Commissioners meeting and he was disheartened by the votes of the Commissioners; he had been to other CRA meetings and this board, by far, is the most professional board he has seen, with the most qualified people; he referenced how the Zone's first project turned out in its favor and that there is clawbacks that keep things fair; what will happen with the County tax when there is no incentive to draw people, the tax money will not be there; and he encouraged the Zone board to follow it through to keep it going, it has been so great for the community and even the County.

Mr. Gaetjens stated he appreciated everyone's comments and to open it up for others to comment.

Robin Fisher stated he was thankful for the Zone board and its comments and that the Zone was created so North Brevard could get its fair share and it has for the last 10 years; the fight is not over, if it would change, it would be because of relationships with the Commissioners; he thinks Commissioner Goodson could be the change; and he asked the Assistant County Attorney to explain what exactly happened and what the next step is.

Justin Caren, Assistant County Attorney, stated the Commission's direction was to bring back legislative intent and to cease funding to the North Brevard Economic Development Zone (NBEDZ) and dissolve it; and most likely, at the next meeting they will bring back legislative intent to the Commission Board.

Mr. Fisher asked what that means, legislative intent.

Mr. Caren answered legislative intent is brought to the Board, similar to a municipality where they advertise twice, and they would bring forward an ordinance.

Mr. Fisher asked if there were two steps, legislative intent explaining why the Board wants to get rid of the Zone and an ordinance to be approved.

Mr. Caren replied the ordinance would be at the subsequent meeting.

Mr. Fisher asked if there would be two more meetings on this subject for people who wanted to attend that is the time to do it.

Mr. Caren answered yes.

Mr. Jordan asked if there is legislative intent at the next meeting and then bringing the ordinance, and is there a second reading before the Board.

Mr. Caren responded with the County there is only one.

Mr. Jordan replied that is too much power.

Mr. Caren stated that is typically, why they need legislative intent, which gives them Board direction.

Mr. Jordan asked if that only gives the Board direction; and now Mr. Caren is putting words on an ordinance and saying the words on the ordinance is only one reading, and the Board makes a decision at that point.

Mr. Caren responded correct.

Mr. Jordan responded that with the City there must be two readings.

Mr. Gaetjens asked if the Board could vote 3:2 and it not to go forward with the ordinance, then what would happen.

Mr. Caren answered if the Board choose not to move forward then legislative intent would be finished and would provide staff direction.

Mr. Retz asked Mr. Fisher if he remembered when the Zone was created the statistics, of what percentage of County dollars were going to North Brevard versus the rest.

Mr. Fisher responded initially when a company would come to Brevard, the Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast (EDC) did a pretty good job of steering them to South Brevard, and this area never really got opportunities for companies to locate to North Brevard; General Fund dollars was incentivizing companies to locate and State dollars were matching, and then Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRA's) were around \$7 to \$10 million a year, and North Brevard got about \$300,000; and a lot of this land is Federal or State and has no commercial growth across the river which limits housing. He stated anywhere on the east coast someone lived across the river; Titusville is unique, where it does not have a beach and without a beach there was nothing to bring people here; with no commercial growth to bring people here, even though the Space Center was great, but it is not enough; CRA's were formed all over the County and with \$7 to \$8 million going to CRA's every year, Titusville only got about \$300,000; that is when the Zone was created, so this area could get its fair share and it incentivized people to come to North Brevard; and for a long time everything was going to the South end of the County, so if the Zone is eliminated and they take the \$2 or \$3 million and it goes back to the General Fund, it would more than likely be spent on the South end of the County, because four Commissioners would make decisions on what is best for their community and their constituents, and this area is the stepchild again.

Mr. Post stated as a point of information, about the CRA, Commissioner Delaney's office did ask for that and it was given to them; this did come out during the first budget hearing with the County this year, that the Budget Office let the Commissioners know what the different pots of money were; there are 10 CRA's in the County, one of those is

in Titusville, which is the only one in the North end; the other Districts CRA's were looked at and the Commission District that gets the most money is District 2, which is about \$5 million; if the Board takes away the Zone, the District 1 CRA would be about \$350,000, but all the other millions going to every other District, except District 4 that has no CRA's; and if the Zone disappears it would go back to that imbalance where District 1 would get the least amount of all the Districts that have CRA's.

Mr. Jordan stated he still wanted clarification; and he asked if at the next meeting with the legislative intent is there a vote by the Commissioners or is it just information.

Mr. Caren answered the Commission would be approving the legislative intent, so they would be voting on it.

Mr. Jordan asked if they do not go forward with the legislative intent then there is no other vote.

Mr. Fisher responded it could go forward but if the Board does not approve the ordinance.

Mr. Post asked for clarity if the next Commission meeting is April 22, 2025.

Kristin Lortie, District 1 Chief of Staff, replied it is, at 9 a.m.

Mr. Post asked if legislative intent is coming back at that meeting.

Ms. Lortie, answered likely; and she stated she imagines it would be at that meeting.

There was Zone board discussion on speaking at the next Commission meeting and what kind of things would be acceptable to speak on.

Upon consensus, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.



Bart Gaetjens, Chairman

Approved on May 9, 2025