

**MINUTES  
MID-BAY BRIDGE AUTHORITY  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021**

**CITY OF DESTIN BOARD ROOM  
4200 INDIAN BAYOU TRAIL  
DESTIN, FLORIDA**

**I. OPENING**

Members present:           James D. Neilson, Jr.  
                                  Parker Destin  
                                  Kim Wintner

Also present:                Van Fuller                Executive Director  
                                  Michelle Anchors       Legal Counsel  
                                  Bryant Paulk            FDOT Ex officio, non-voting  
                                  Cathy Demoreski        Administrative Assistant

Absent:                       Gordon E. Fornell  
                                  James T. Wood, Jr.

**II. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS & PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no visitors or members of the press present.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Regular Meeting – November 18, 2021**

**A motion to approve the November 18, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Mr. Destin with a second by Mr. Wintner and a 3-0 vote was taken for approval.**

**IV. TREASURER’S REPORT**

Mr. Destin presented the Treasurer’s Report for November 2021. Account balances were:

FNBT	\$ 170,247.13
Regions	\$46,408,523.26

**Mr. Destin made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report for November 2021 with a second by Mr. Wintner and a 3-0 vote was taken for approval.**

**V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**A. Operations.** Mr. Fuller reported that the 2020-2021 Traffic Engineers projections were accurate. The consensus at the August consultants meeting was that traffic should remain stable next year. Mr. Fuller also reported that the contract for traffic and revenue consulting services with Jacobs and Stantec is being finalized for execution.

Mr. Fuller explained that work on Pier 104 of the Mid-Bay Bridge continues. Loose material is being removed down to a good solid base and then being sealed to protect the pier until a separate contractor completes restoration work. Mr. Fuller confirmed that only Pier 104 has deteriorated to its extent.

Discussion included the status of the community-requested Mid-Bay Bridge Safety Study. Mr. Fuller explained that we are still waiting on the cost and scope from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). He also reported that there has been another fatality since the Study was requested in the North Lakeshore Drive guardrail vicinity. The Authority Chairman requested the Study include the entire length of the System, end to end, specifically the Mid-Bay Bridge to include traffic data review, accident reports, signage, etc.

**B. 2022 The Southern Group Agreement.** Mr. Fuller presented the annual letter of agreement with The Southern Group. This annual fee was included in the Authority's approved FY2022 Budget.

**A motion was made by Mr. Destin to approve the 2022 The Southern Group Agreement with a second by Mr. Wintner and a 3-0 vote was taken for approval.**

Mr. Fuller call the Authority's attention to the 2022 Meeting Schedule which was included in the meeting package.

**VI. LEGAL COUNSEL**

None

**VII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Mr. Neilson complimented the staff of the MBBA and the work they have performed, and he expressed his gratitude to them for their exceptional effort. He recommended the same year-end financial benefit as was approved in 2020.

**Mr. Neilson made a motion to approve the same year-end financial benefit for Mr. Fuller and Mrs. Demoreski that they received in 2020 with a second by Mr. Destin and a 3-0 vote was taken for approval.**

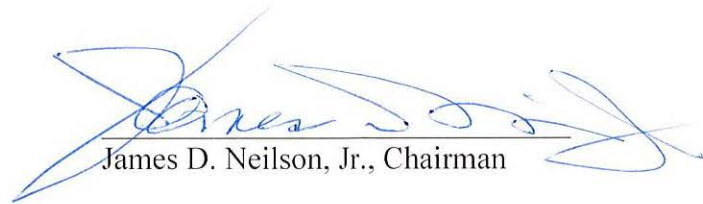
**VIII. GENERAL DISCUSSION**

The next regular meeting of the Authority will be held on **Thursday, January 20, 2022,** at 9:00 a.m. in the Niceville City Hall Council Chambers, Niceville, Florida.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:15 a.m.

**Approved this 17th day of February 2022.**



James D. Neilson, Jr., Chairman