

**MINUTES  
MID-BAY BRIDGE AUTHORITY  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025**

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

**I. OPENING**

Members present: James D. Neilson, Jr.  
James T. Wood, Jr.  
Kim Wintner

Absent (excused): Gordon E. Fornell  
Robert Marinan

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

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

Mr. Neilson welcomed Rob VandenBroeck, Okaloosa County Road Division Chief and County liaison to the Mid-Bay Bridge Authority. There were no members of the press present.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Regular Meeting – September 18, 2025**

**A motion to approve the September 18, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Mr. Wood with a second by Mr. Wintner and a 3-0 vote was taken for approval.**

**IV. TREASURERS REPORT**

Mr. Wood presented the Treasurer's Report for September 2025 in Mr. Fornell's absence. Account balances were:

FNBT Bank	\$ 368,991.17
Regions	\$45,456,407.56

**Mr. Wood made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Reports for September 2025 with a second by Mr. Wintner, and a 3-0 vote was taken for approval.**

**V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

In reference to the Treasurers Report Mr. Fuller noted that the October Treasurers' Report will reflect the semi-annual (October and April) debt service payment on the remaining Series 2015 and the new Series 2025 Bonds.

**A. Operations.** Mr. Fuller reported that traffic and revenue are 100% or greater than projections for FY2025.

**B. Annual Policy Review/Renewal.** Mr. Fuller invited Ms. Anchors to present the Annual Mid-Bay Bridge Authority Policies for renewal. Ms. Anchors noted that there have been no changes made and recommended approval.

**A motion was made by Mr. Wood to renew the Authority's Policies with a second by Mr. Wintner and a 3-0 vote taken for approval.**

**C. Memberships Review/Approval (TEAMFL, EDC, NVCC, NVCC MAC, DCC).**  
Mr. Fuller requested approval of the annual memberships held by the Authority which were included in the approved FY2026 Budget.

**A motion was made by Mr. Wood to renew the Authority's budgeted annual memberships with a second by Mr. Wintner and a 3-0 vote taken for approval.**

## **VI. LEGAL COUNSEL**

None

## **VII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Mr. Wood reported that he recently travelled up to coastal Maine and Niagara Falls where he encountered several tolls which appear to have been properly charged to his SunPass transponder account. He also pointed out that there was little to no signage advertising the cost of the tolls, unlike our System which is clearly signed.

Mr. Paulk reported that a \$4M US98 Resurfacing Project from Paraiso Blvd to Regions Way in Destin has been let and will include the closure of a median deemed unsafe by the Department. There will be minimal impact on traffic as lane work will be done at night. Work is scheduled to be completed in late 2026.

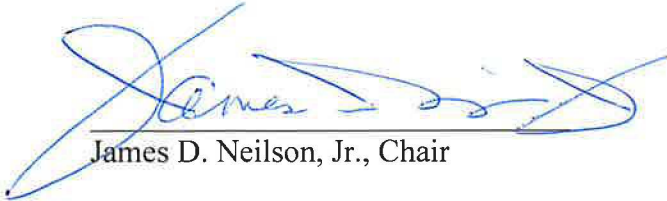
## **VIII. GENERAL DISCUSSION**

The next regular meeting of the Authority will be held on **Thursday, November 20, 2025**, at 9:00 a.m. in the Niceville City Hall Council Chambers, Niceville, Florida.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:09 a.m.

**Approved this 20th day of November 2025.**



James D. Neilson, Jr., Chair