

# Savannah-Georgia Convention Center Authority

Minutes of the Retreat of the Board of Directors  
Thursday, November 14, 2019, 9:00am

Cumberland Ballroom, The Westin Jekyll Island

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**Members present:** Mark Smith, Joe Marinelli, Lorri Smith, Martin Miller, Ben Polote Jr, Ruth Quattlebaum, Trip Tollison, Ansley Williams, Jeanne Seaver, Pat Ferrell, Mark Spadoni, **Also present:** Lee Hughes, Michael Owens, C. Jones Hooks, Keith Couch, Jay Thompson, Paul McKeever, Gene Maria, Greg Ruhl and Bob Coffey, SITCC staff: Sherrie Spinks, Ronnie Hickman, Jamie Parks, Angela Daniels

Chairman, Mr. Mark Smith, convened the meeting at 9:00am.

Mr. Smith asked for approval of the October minutes and treasurer's report. Motion made by Mark Spadoni; seconded by Martin Miller and approved by unanimous voice vote.

C. Jones Hooks, Executive Director of Jekyll Island Authority provided an update on the history and recent development of the island.

Lee Hughes provided an update on riparian rights and H/M tax agreements between the SGCCA and local cities.

Ms. Spinks introduced the TVS/Hansen Architect team which consisted of Jay Thompson, Paul McKeever and Gene Maria who provided an expansion design update and focused on general design along with landscape and signage plans. Following the design team update, Keith Couch with Clark provided a construction update including pre-construction items we hope to complete prior to June 2020 which would help the cost/schedule for the official construction. Included in the presentations was an update on the schedule and process with GSFIC.

Joe Marinelli made a motion to hire Austin Smith to produce a hype video to be presented at the December Holiday Luncheon. After some discussion and a second by Mark Spadoni, the board approved a maximum cost of \$10k to Austin Smith to produce such a video.

Mark Spadoni provided an update on the Batson-Cook development on parcel 5 of Hutchinson Island

Mr. Smith then asked for any other business; hearing none, meeting adjourned at 12:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lorri Smith, Secretary-Treasurer