

Minutes

General Meeting Ft McClellan Restoration Advisory Board October 19, 1998

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Pete Conroy, Barry Cox, Jerome Elser, Alan Faust, Mary Harrington, Ron Hood, Ed Kimbrough, Margarette Longstreth, Jimmy Parks, Fern Thomassy, Charles Turner

BRAC CLEANUP TEAM MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chris Johnson, Ron Levy

I. CALL TO ORDER. Mr. Thomassy called the meeting to order at 6:30. He reviewed the process of relinquishing the co-chair to his successor, Mr. Conroy, and a short discussion over procedural requirements ensued. Mr. Turner reminded the RAB that in order to ascend, a simple vote of confidence was required. The motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried for Mr. Conroy. He then assumed the co-chair position and called roll.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. The minutes were reviewed and approved.

III. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN. Mr. Conroy called for nominations. Ms. Longstreth nominated Dr. Harrington; Dr. Harrington nominated Mayor Kimbrough and Mr. Turner nominated Mr. Hood. The nominations were then closed. A short discussion followed to determine appropriate voting procedures. The voting was accomplished after the formal presentation of the meeting and Mr. Ron Hood was selected as the vice-chair.

IV. MEETING PRESENTATION. Mr. Conroy informed the RAB he intended to keep the meetings to an hour. He then asked Mr. Levy to introduce the guest speaker. Mr. Levy introduced Ms. Jeanne Yacoub, IT Project Manager and BRAC Cleanup Team member. Ms. Yacoub gave a presentation about the site investigation of approximately 108 parcels that IT is conducting. Using a chart, she explained the process and said they have gotten through the first six of seventeen packages in terms of having actual plans approved. They are now in the second part of the process: fieldwork and data collection. She said they expect to be collecting data through March or April, 1999 and then to begin reporting on that data about June 1999. She identified several soil sampling sites and explained that ground water was not collected because they hit rock before they hit water. After discussing investigations at other sites, she stated they were on schedule and expected the data to be satisfactory for the next phase. She explained the process of risk screening and the recommendations for site closeouts. She then responded to several questions concerning methodology of sample collection at various sites such as motor pools and landfills. A discussion then ensued concerning reusable houses sitting on landfills and the transferability issues to be considered. Responding to Mayor Kimbrough's question about how the change to JPA will affect any of the clean-up

process, Mr. Levy stated he was speaking to the JPA at their next meeting and felt no decisions could be made until they were fully informed of past plans and priorities. Mr. Turner then introduced a member of the JPA, Mr. Robert Downing. Mr. Downing, also a County Commissioner, explained the composition of the JPA, including state and ex-officio members and the status of establishing their staff. He discussed the intent of endorsing the initial reuse plan and offered to take questions. Mr. Levy reminded the RAB of the long-standing requirement to have an ex-officio member from the reuse authority, now JPA, and a motion was made and seconded to create that membership. It was agreed to notify them and have them designate the representative. A discussion followed about the issues to be covered in Mr. Levy's presentation to the JPA, especially the Eastern Bypass.

V. COMMUNITY RELATIONS. Ms. McKinney reminded the members they were scheduled to meet in a local community in November and asked if there were any recommendations. She suggested if there were none, that the RAB hold off and just begin the local community schedule after the first of the year. The members agreed. After discussion, it was determined to not hold a December meeting. Additionally, since the regularly scheduled meeting in January falls on a holiday, the membership will determine an alternate date at the November meeting. She concluded by informing the RAB of the upcoming community group presentations.

VI. OLD BUSINESS. No old business was introduced.

VII. NEW BUSINESS. A motion was made and seconded to hold the meetings to an hour. After a brief discussion, it was not passed; however Mr. Conroy stated the intent to keep the meetings to an hour would be strongly observed. Mr. Conroy introduced the topic of smoke training at Ft McClellan, an issue he asked be discussed at the November meeting. While he agreed it was not a specific reuse issue, it could be a community issue. After some discussion concerning potential impacts, it was decided to have an information paper prepared for the RAB and discuss it at the November meeting.

VIII. AUDIENCE COMMENT. Mr. Conroy asked the audience to introduce themselves and called for comments. There were no audience comments.

IX. ADJOURNMENT. Mr. Conroy called for adjournment; Mr. Turner made the call and the meeting was then adjourned.