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## **CALLED BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, September 8, 2011

**Opening:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brian Hamilton, at 12:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room, located at Central Station, 1735 Morris Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama 35203.

**Members Present:** Joyce Brooks, Jack Darnall, Brian Hamilton, Johnnye P. Lassiter, and Guin Robinson

**Members Absent:** Ronald Lyas and Rev. Patrick Sellers

**Others Present:** Debra Anderson-Burse, Robert Ballard, Leon Barkan, Christopher Bolling, Jacquese Gary, Trey Hill, Lee Jackson, Chris Leffert, and Julie McMillan.

A moment of silence was observed.

Mr. Hamilton led the assembly in the recitation of the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

**Adoption of the Agenda:** The agenda was adopted by general consent.

### **Resolutions for Consideration and Approval:**

- A. **Resolution No. 2011-56** – Declaration of Emergency and Waiver of the Competitive Bid Process in Connection with the Procurement for Clean-up Services Following Tropical Depression Lee was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mrs. Brooks, and approved by general consent.

*Discussion:* Mr. Hamilton commended Acting Executive Director Lee Jackson and staff for making pullouts and developing a plan of action so quickly in the emergency circumstances. Mr. Jackson described the flooding of our facilities at 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Director of Transportation Robert Ballard described how the BJCTA helped to evacuate approximately one hundred persons who were stranded by the flooding waters.

The BJCTA has \$2.5 million in flood insurance, with a \$100,000 deductible. Photos were taken and insurance adjusters are involved in the process. Estimates for clean-up were received from two well known companies with large accounts.

For the restoration, the BJCTA will go through the competitive procurement process.

Leon Barkan, Vice President of Volkert, Inc., was present and reported that his company did a walk-thru inspection with the environmental firm Terracon. No further actions were found to be necessary at that time.

**Old/New Business:**

Mr. Robinson expressed concern over questions presented by funding partners in regards to making routes more efficient. Another question presented is why the BJCTA cannot use short buses. He suggested preparation of a one page report of frequently asked questions from Board members.

The **Meeting Adjourned** at 12:15 p.m. The next **Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors** will be held **Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at 12:00 PM** Central Station, 1735 Morris Avenue, Birmingham, AL.

Minutes submitted by: Barbara Lawson, Administrative Assistant

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Brian Hamilton, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Johnnye P. Lassiter Secretary/Treasurer