

**SALES SURTAX CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 12, 2024**

The Sales Tax Surtax Citizens' Oversight Committee met on March 12, 2024, in the Training Room at the School District Central Administration Complex, located at 202 Highway 85 North, Niceville, Florida.

Committee members Present

Jason Belcher, Chairman; Cathy Ates, Mike Carroll; Bernard Johnson; Leslie Sheekley; Jeri Toolan (arrived 4:30 p.m.); Monica Wallis; and Marcus Wilson (via phone). Absent: Vince Mayfield.

Others Present

C. Jeffrey McInnis, Esq., Attorney to the Board; Catherine Card, Public Information Officer; John Spolski, Assistant Superintendent; Julie Perry, Chief Financial Officer; Bill Smith, Program Director, Facilities Planning; Grant Meyer, Director I, Operational Services; and Joel Lindner, Program Director, Jacobs/Titan Technologies.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m., for the purpose of receiving reports related to the School District's Half-Cent Capital Outlay Sales Surtax Program.

A motion was made by Monica Wallis to allow Marcus Wilson to participate via telephone. The motion was seconded by Leslie Sheekley and carried 6-0.

Mr. Belcher welcomed Ms. Cathy Ates, retired business owner, to the committee. She stated that she was a member of the first sales tax committee and that she has been delighted to watch the progress of this committee.

A motion was made by Monica Wallis to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 14, 2023. The motion was seconded by Bernard Johnson and carried 7-0.

A financial update was provided by Julie Perry, Chief Financial Officer, on the sales tax revenue, projections, and the budget to date. Discussion followed with Ms. Perry addressing questions and comments from committee members regarding sales tax revenue projections and expenditures.

Joel Lindner, Program Director, Jacobs/Titan Technologies, provided a comprehensive update on the projects currently funded by the sales surtax. Mr. Lindner detailed the progress being made on the multi-purpose buildings, classroom additions, cafeteriums, and HVAC projects. Discussion followed with Mr. Lindner addressing questions and comments.

Mr. Belcher took the opportunity to welcome Jeri Toolan to the committee. Ms. Toolan and her husband own a construction business in Crestview.

Mr. Belcher stated he would be presenting a Quarterly Progress Report on the work of the committee to the School Board at an upcoming meeting. He stated he is pleased with the progress being made and the District's stewardship.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 7, 2024, beginning at 4:00 p.m., in the Training Room, at the Central Administrative Complex in Niceville.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Mari McGowan, Recorder



Jason Belcher, Committee Chairman

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14. Public Comment

14.1 Members of the public desiring to address the School Board with general comments-
Form MIS 6120 General Public Comments (Yellow Card)
The Chairman called for public comment; there was none.

15. Adjournment

15.1 Adjournment of the meeting by the Chairman
There being no further business, and upon motion being duly made and seconded, the
meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Mari McGowan, Recorder



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