



Minutes for the meeting held on Thursday 4th November 2021
Venue: PLC Conference Rm

MEMBERS PRESENT	
Woody DaCosta (WD)	Chairperson
Teddie Ebanks (TE)	Deputy Chair
Elsie Kynes (EK)	Member
Ezmie Smith (ES)	Member
Shane Edwards (SE)	Member
Shanna Myles (SM)	Member
Jon Hall (JH)	HOD L&SD
Perry Powery	DCO T&T
David Fawcitt (DF)	SPO DAL
Sharon Roberts (SR)	Secretary PLC
Wilbur Welcome (WW)	ACO DAL

ABSENT	
Kathryn Dinspel-Powell (KDP)	DCO FSC

INVITED	

KEY:	
ACO	Acting Chief Officer
AG	Attorney General
AGC	Attorney General's Chambers
CI	Chief Inspector
CIG	Cayman Islands Government
CO	Chief Officer
CPA	Central Planning Authority
DCI	Department of Commerce and Investment
DCO	Deputy Chief Officer
HOD	Head of Department
DoP	Department of Planning
L&SD	Lands and Survey Department
FSC	Ministry of Financial Services & Commerce
T&T	Ministry of Tourism & Transport
MOE	Ministry of Education
MOH	Ministry of Health and Wellness
PresL	The Prescription Law (2018 Revision)
PLC	Public Lands Commission
PLA	Public Lands Act (2021)
PLR	Public Lands Regulations (2021)
SPO	Senior Policy Officer

1. Meeting called to order.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:10am with a quorum of six (6) members present.

1.1 Welcome / Apologies & Nonattendances

- KDP sent apologies
- Chair extended a warm welcome to all members acknowledging remote participation of those attendees who had opt to attend remotely using the ZOOM platform.

1.2 Brief discussion was had in regards to the PLC Regulations

- The Chairperson indicated that he planned to have a few meetings to deal with the regulations and policy, and that members would be supplied with documents to review and provide input.



2. Revision and confirmation of PLC meeting Minutes.

2.1 Minutes for the meeting of 28th October 2021 were reviewed and the following amendments were noted:-

3.2 PLC Annual Report 2020

- Remove 's' from the word comments

3.3 Rum Point Club registered Public Rights of Way.

- Remove the Action Point
- Should read: It was mentioned that the Public access sign be installed.

3.4 Beach Volleyball Association

- Should read: WD expressed his opinion - and not SE

3.8 Unregistered prescriptive public rights of way

- Should read: Mr Hall to assist with additional information. TE requested that the beach report binder be found and located in the meeting room for member's assistance in deliberations.
- Should read: Chair mentioned that Policies and Procedures currently being worked on will also include this subject matter. Ms Ezmie asked that the commission move forward as quickly as possible.

3.9 New Sign

- Should read: SM raised the concern of having sufficient signs in stock to replace damaged ones. The consensus was to ensure that there were always a few replacements on hand.

3.11 Kaibo rezone application

- Replace the word 'board' with 'Commission'

Any Other Business

6.1 Should read: The Chair confirmed that the sign had been retrieved from the site and that it was not damaged. The sign was ready and pending the installation that had been requested. The member further requested that the commission regularise a signage schedule, and that all signs be checked after tropical storms.

On motion made by TE and seconded by ES the minutes were accepted.

3 Matters Arising.

3.1 PLC Annual Report 2020

- SE mentioned that he had a concern with the number mentioned in reference to his meeting attendance, and has reached out to the Ministry to resolve the matter.
- Several other concerns were raised that the members expressed should be included in the report.



- SE further mentioned that the attendees listing on the report appeared to be incorrect as there were Chief Officers and other Government Officials included on the attendance as present when in fact, they had never attended a meeting that he was aware of.
- SE asked if this was the correct way for attendance to be listed. He further pointed out that the attendance minutes had the names of those who actually attended the meetings, but the report reflected the attendance differently.
- SE also mentioned that the Finances section of the report should have more financial details as there are no numbers. He strongly suggested that the numbers be included to reflect the financial position of the commission.
- TE offered to send the amendments and corrects he identified to the Commission members for their further review.
- WW agreed to review the report and address the concerns that were raised.
- Chair asked to provide changes and suggestions and the report would be discussed again at the next meeting.
- SM shared her view on the option of utilizing an electronic platform that could be made available to members to allow for ease of access for all shared documents.
- WW thanked the member for raising the point and confirmed that it was a resource that he was currently looking into, as he noted that type of platform could be useful and convenient for the commission.

3.2 Rum Point Club registered public rights of way

- JH provided an update. The only registered access is a dedicated right of way. If affidavits are presented to the Registrar of Lands requesting her to confirm additional prescriptive rights of way over the parcel then the applications will be refused because the owner(s) will most definitely object. The Registrar does NOT have the judiciary power to overcome the owner's objection and fetter their land, therefore the applications would have to be made to the Court.
- TE was asked if he could gather affidavits to support the unregistered rights of way shown way back.

Chair suggested that as a way forward the Sign be re-instated

3.3 Beach Volleyball Association

- SE asked that the Minutes correctly reflect his opinion as he did not think it was the PLC/Government's responsibility to resolve the matter, however, he felt that he did not have sufficient information to determine where the responsibility should be placed.
- WW confirmed that contact with the developer was made and they have agreed to resolve the matter. He was working with other government agencies on sourcing the sand to assist the developer.
- WW indicated that further investigation was carried out by Dept. of Environment to determine if the existing quality and quantity in the area was satisfactory.



3.4 GT Fish market on private land

- **Chair** attempted to make contact with land owner but no response.
- In order to gain historical information on the area, the Chair mentioned he had approached Craig Merren for assistance with gathering pictures.
- **The Chair** asked **SM** to assist with gathering pictures and affidavits, in addition to engaging the MP for GT Central for support.
- **ES** suggested that a senior citizen Mrs. Dania Cayaso be sought out for an Affidavit as one of her ancestors did own Red Spot.
- The AG Chambers would be approached for support once the PLC felt it had sufficient supporting documents to move forward.

3.5 PLC website

- The test link was shared with the members to allow them to access and view the website.
- **WW** indicated that the Interactive Map is to be added to the website.
- **SM** highlighted the contact info on the website which **WW** agreed will be updated with the accurate information.
- **WW** confirmed that he would look into the option of adding permit application forms and the online payments. As well as online booking and reservations for sites and cabanas.

3.6 Beach Access Report

- As the report was too large to be sent by email, **WW** recommend that members go the Lands & Survey website www.caymanlandinfo.ky to access this report.
 - **Chair** encouraged all to review the report

3.7 – Vendor applications

1) Simon Rivers

2) Alexis Reve

- **WW** updated the commission on how the applications were previously reviewed and approved, noting that details were established and specific guidelines were enforced on how each approved applicant was to conduct their service which included marked boundaries.
- The Chair had the matter deferred to the next meeting.

4 Chief Inspector Report and update.

- None



5 New Business

5.1 Chair asked that members compile a list of any action Items from previous meetings that were outstanding or never dealt with.

- The items would be reviewed and added to the Agenda for the next meeting.

5.2 TE mentioned the idea of 'Chip and Spray' initiative by the Minister for NS to the entrance of Rights of way Public Access in NS.

- The consensus was that the Commission was open to the initiative provided that the offer would be extended to the entire island and includes the sister islands.

5.3 ES raised the concerns of blocked access at the Boggy Sands road in WB. She made an appeal for **JH** to look into the matter to determine breaches accesses.

- The Chair requested that this item be added to the next meeting's Agenda as New Business.

5.4 WW raised the concern that the Commission may want to look at establishing policies on how to address Prescriptive Rights of Way breaches accesses; and set guidelines on how PLC moves forward with challenging the land owners thru the legal channels.

6 Any Other Business

7 Scheduling of the next PLC meeting

7.1 The next meeting was confirmed for 10am Thursday 11th November 2021.

8 Adjournment.

The Chair thanked the members for attending the meeting and was adjourned at 12:15pm.

Chairperson
Public Lands Commission

