



Restoration Advisory Board October 25, 2007 6:30 PM

Swearingen Conference Center, SC School for the Deaf and the Blind Spartanburg, South Carolina

Meeting Agenda

WelcomeJimmy Tobias, Community Co-Chair
Old Business
Status of Fence along Henningston RoadMr. Speith, RAB Member
New Business Sheriff's Department Munitions Responses
RAB New Business Topics
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Your attendance and participation are encouraged for the success of this important project!
Reminder: Comments/questions shall be limited to two minutes on topic of discussion.

CAMP CROFT RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

PLACE: School for the Deaf and Blind

Swearingen Center

Spartanburg, South Carolina

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, October 25, 2007

6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.

REPRESENTATIVES: Dennis McKinley and

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BOARD MEMBERS

NOT PRESENT: Dickie Corbin

Jerry Hartley

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BY MR. TOBIAS:

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- 2 Good evening.
- I think we're going to go ahead and start our board meeting for the
- 4 Restoration Advisory Board. I want to thank everybody for coming. I thought
- 5 there were plenty of notice in the newspapers. I saw several things that looked
- 6 real good, and I'm glad there's a good turnout here; and if everybody is
- 7 agreeable, we'll just go right into our agenda under old business.

8 BY MR. MCKINLEY:

- 9 Old business, looks like the first thing is up is statute of limitations for 10 filing a claim.
- 11 At a prior meeting we discussed the process for filing a claim and I guess
- 12 the question is: What's the statute of limitations? And to back track the
- process is an SF95 Form that you supply to the appropriate federal agency,
- 14 which would be the Corps of Engineers. It's a standard form, and on the back
- of it, it says basically two years.
- I can pass this around to the board members. I've actually sent one or
- 17 two of these out to some folks, but that's --- that's the answer to the question,
- and I'll just pass this around for folks to take a look at it.
- 19 If there are any questions, I can answer.
- 20 If not, we'll go to the next topic.
- 21 At a prior meeting we had some discussion concerning the prioritization
- 22 process for the formerly used defense sites, and the request was for some
- 23 information that showed how the sites in South Carolina fared against the sites
- 24 in the other states for the budget, and what I'm going to pass out is the official
- 25 2008 work plan for all the formerly used defense sites in the South Atlantic

- 1 Division, and I'll pass those out to the board members, and then we can briefly
- 2 discuss that.

BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

And while we're waiting, if you don't mind, while we're waiting for that form to be passed around, I just would like to remind the board, a few of you mentioned that you were missing your notebooks, so I have the extra notebooks on the end of the table for those I have retrieved those notebooks at the last meeting, so please feel free to grab one of those.

BY MR. MCKINLEY:

This form that's going around shows all of the formerly used defense sites that ended up in the work plan for 2008. Off in the left-hand column you'll see the state designation. It covers all the states that fall within the South Atlantic Division, and we can highlight how these projects fell out.

For instance, you can see the MS designation there for Mississippi. They ended up with ten properties. Tennessee ended up with twelve. Puerto Rico ended up with five properties. Alabama ended up with nine. You can see Florida has got a big share of 48 projects.

The next set is Georgia. They ended up with eight properties. North Carolina, 20 properties; and then South Carolina on the, I think it's the second to the last page, they ended up with twelve properties; and there you can see Camp Croft at the first, first three listings there.

Anyhow, that's how the formerly used defense sites properties broke out for FY 2008.

If folks have questions, I can attempt to answer the questions, but that's --- that's a summary of where the program ended up.

1 BY MR. SHOOLBRED:

- 2 Does that mean Camp Croft is at the top of the funding in South
- 3 Carolina?

4 BY MR. MCKINLEY:

- 5 Not necessarily. However, it does mean that Camp Croft has a high risk
- 6 assessment category code number one there you can see on your sheet, which
- 7 means it ranks, it ranks high. I think there are some others. I think Conway
- 8 shows a risk assessment code of one, also, but certainly in the prioritization
- 9 process that's one of the criteria is the risk assessment code, so.

10 BY MR. HAYES:

11 What does it mean where there's no code?

12 BY MR. MCKINLEY:

- That looks like it hits on the PN categories, which is a potential
- 14 responsible party category, and that's a subgroup of a property that addresses,
- 15 if there's another party that came into a formerly used defense site and took
- some action, at that point they may have incurred the liability, so there's no
- 17 code necessarily associated with --- with that, for instance.

18 BY MR. HAYES:

19 So it would be mean it was less than a four?

20 BY MR. GIBSON:

21 It means the government is not responsible for it, the way I read it.

22 BY MR. MCKINLEY:

- It means the government is potentially not responsible, correct.
- There should, for the property itself, there will be a risk assessment
- 25 code just for that phase, that project within the property there won't be. For

- 1 instance, on Donaldson --- well, let's see, where's the risk assessment codes?
- 2 For Donaldson, that shows a potential responsible party that has no risk
- 3 assessment code. Underneath it, however, you'll see a different phase that has
- 4 a high category risk assessment code. It's just --- it's just a bookkeeping entry
- 5 is what it is.
- 6 So that's the prioritization tables. Anymore questions?
- 7 BY MR. GIBSON:
- 8 Just curious.
- 9 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- 10 Sure.
- 11 BY MR. GIBSON:
- Dupont, what are we talking about there?
- 13 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- 14 That's a communication site on Highway 17 down in Charleston, and
- 15 they've actually got two projects out there. They've got an old abandoned
- 16 cistern and an underground storage tank that's out at that property.
- 17 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:
- These are not all munitions projects.
- 19 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- 20 Correct.
- 21 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:
- These include all the program, HTRW tanks and military munitions.
- 23 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- 24 Right, this --- this is the entire program.
- 25 Okay.

- 1 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 2 All right.
- 3 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- 4 Okay.
- 5 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 6 You want to go to the archives and address that?
- 7 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- 8 Right. We had a question at the last meeting concerning --- I think Mr.
- 9 Zimmerman may have raised the question on the records at the archives. Our
- 10 public affairs officer actually followed up with that, and she'll give a little
- 11 summary now.
- 12 BY MS. GILLETTE:
- Mr. Zimmerman, at the last meeting you had mentioned that you thought
- 14 there were some records that had possibly been moved to Fort McPherson and
- 15 may be lost. I called the National Archives, and I spoke with a representative
- 16 there, and I have his supervisor's name for you if you want to call him, but he
- said he was actually on the new coordination team, and he was --- he said they
- 18 were absolutely meticulous about the boxes. Everything was, you know,
- 19 numbered and filed and has a list, and he was certain that nothing was lost from
- 20 the move to --- let's see, they were in East Point, and then they moved to
- 21 Morrow. It's all --- I guess these are suburbs of Atlanta, and he did not know
- 22 of anything that had been moved directly to Fort McPherson. He didn't have
- 23 any knowledge of that and either did his supervisor.
- He did say that, you know, that anybody is welcome to come there and we
- 25 talked about the categorization of the different files, and he said there's

- 1 information on Camp Croft under two categories: 270, which contains maps and
- 2 real estate records; and 130, which relates to the farm credit administration;
- 3 and he said that anybody --- he did not believe anything had been lost, but he
- 4 would be, you know, glad to have anybody come there and look through
- 5 everything that he has and discuss with him; and they're open from 8:30 to 5:00
- 6 Tuesday through Saturday.
- 7 BY MR. GIBSON:
- 8 And this is at the Morrow location?
- 9 BY MS. GILLETTE:
- 10 Yeah, I guess they moved locations.
- 11 BY MR. GIBSON:
- 12 Okay.
- 13 BY MS. GILLETTE:
- 14 A few years ago, but this person was on that team that was actually
- 15 responsible for the move, and he seemed to take a lot of pride in the fact that
- 16 they had been meticulous about documenting every single box, and he mentioned
- 17 that he had to go through --- it was a lot. I can't remember, but a lot of boxes,
- of course, not just related to Camp Croft, but he did say there was Camp Croft
- 19 data.
- 20 BY MR. GIBSON:
- 21 But it is --- the facility of where you would go to visit is located in
- 22 Morrow?
- 23 BY MS. GILLETTE:
- 24 Yes, it's in Morrow.
- 25 Uh-huh (affirmative response).

1 And the man's supervisor's name was Richard Rayburn. He said you can 2 contact him if you wanted. 3 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN: 4 I've talked to him already. 5 BY MS. GILLETTE: 6 Okay. 7 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN: 8 Yes, ma'am. Thank you for telling me. 9 BY MR. TOBIAS: 10 The next business would be the fence along Henningston Road. Can we 11 address that? 12 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY: 13 Well, at our last meeting there was discussion about a fence along 14 Henningston Road that was in disrepair and questions as to who owned the 15 fence, whether that was installed by the Corps of Engineers as a part of an 16 engineering control to keep folks out of an area that was contaminated, and the 17 discussion and the recollection was that is not a Corps of Engineer installed 18 fence, and I think Mr. Spieth was going to drive down and take some pictures 19 and possibly try to determine, if you could, ownership, and we just wanted your 20 follow-up on that. 21 BY MR. SPIETH: 22 Yeah, actually what I did is, first of all, I got on the internet and looked 23 at the Google map and tried to get as high a resolution as I could of that 24 Henningston Road and the --- actually been in turn some pavement into dirt,

eventually it parts as a dirt road. Near the end at the park there's a very little

- 1 string across the road that says, "This is --- Keep Out, this is Camp Croft
- 2 property," and on the left side of the road, I wouldn't really call it a fence.
- 3 There are two wires about 18 inches apart that is stretched along --- along the
- 4 trees that is along side this dirt road, and there's one sign back there that
- 5 says, "Camp Croft," don't enter because of the possibility of there's still
- 6 discharged munitions. I don't have the exact verbiage here now, and "If you
- 7 see anything, either report it to a forest ranger or call 911 on the telephone."
- 8 That was kind of the extent of what's back there, and I tried to see, as
- 9 best as I could with the high resolution aerial photograph, if there were any
- 10 kind of structures back there, but I --- I could --- I could not. I didn't see
- anything back there beyond once you get into the park property and the stuff
- 12 surrounding it, a lake and so on itself, and I couldn't find anything back there
- but those two wires, which indicated that there was some kind of a fence to
- 14 indicate a property line, not really a fence to keep people out. You can crawl
- 15 under it or step over it, and --- or do whatever, so that's kind of what I found.
- I took pictures all of this stuff. I didn't know it was going to be on the
- 17 agenda. I would have brought the pictures and show them, but, anyway, if
- 18 you're interested in the pictures, I'll be happy to email them to you.

19 BY MR. TOBIAS:

- 20 All right.
- 21 Well, then, I think we'll go to new business.
- Is a representative of the Sheriff's Department here?
- 23 (NO RESPONSE)
- 24 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:
- 25 Guess not.

1 Okay. 2 BY MR. TOBIAS: We'll move right on then and go to the project update, if we could have 3 4 that? 5 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 6 As a brief summary of where we're at with the project, as you know, 7 third quarter of last year we awarded a task order to do some geophysical 8 mapping with the thought of doing some follow-on removal actions. 9 Where we're at right now is we're looking at two operable ordnance 10 disposal units, one right behind the school, which is referred to as OOU11C, and 11 then we're also looking at one referred to as OOU3, and I think we're going to 12 have a map here shortly. 13 Basically, where we're at is the task order has been awarded to do the 14 geophysical mapping of those two areas. On the area at OOU11C behind the 15 school, we currently got all of the rights of entry except for the one out-of-16 state property owner on the west-hand side of the street, and two properties 17 on the eastside of the street. 18 I did stop by with the right of entry at one of those properties today. 19 We anticipate getting all of the rights of entry at that area. 20 The area out in the buffer zone, OOU3, we made preliminary contact 21 with the owner out there, and we anticipate having the rights of entry at those 22 areas. 23 That's the buffer area OOU3 that we're talking about, and the areas in 24 blue are the areas where the geophysical mapping is going to take place.

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(Referring to map).

1 What we're hoping to do as far as the schedule on both of these areas is 2 be out in the field in the January time frame with the follow-on removal activity anticipated, not yet awarded, for the OOU11C area, very, very shortly 3 4 thereafter. We anticipate awarding a removal task order for the buffer areas 5 in the wintertime frame of 2008, so we can minimize the impact to the business 6 out there. 7 So that's basically where --- where we're at. We have ordered the task 8 order for the geophysical mapping with an anticipated removal action very 9 shortly after in one of the areas, and then to follow in winter 2008 in the 10 buffer areas here. 11 With that we can throw it to the board for questions. 12 BY MR. HAYES: Is all that private property? 13 14 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 15 All of that is privately owned property, as I understand it. 16 BY MR. SCHWALM: 17 That's correct. 18 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 19 Within the mapping areas. 20 All right. 21 BY MR. HAYES: 22 Who will be doing the geophysical mapping? 23 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 24 Zapata will be doing the mapping. In fact, the project manager is here

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with us. Jeff.

1 BY MR. SCHWALM: 2 That would be me. 3 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 4 That will be you. 5 BY MR. HAYES: 6 What's the estimated cost? 7 BY MR. MCKINLEY: I think the task order, if I'm not mistaken, was \$174,000. I can double 8 check that, but I think that's what --- what the task order was awarded for. 9 10 I'll have an answer before --- before you leave today. 11 BY MR. SCHWALM: 12 I believe it's in that ballpark. 13 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 14 Okay. 15 BY MR. HAYES: 16 That's all I need is the ballpark. 17 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 18 Okay. 19 Now is the opportunity to ask questions. We've got the expert here. 20 We've got the maps on the wall. That's --- that's a brief summary in a nutshell. 21 22 BY MR. GIBSON: Just a question to clarify. This area, what was it initially used for as far 23 24 when the camp was here? What do we expect to find there? 25 BY MR. MCKINLEY:

1 I want to say it was used --- well, why don't you answer that? 2 BY MR. SCHWALM: 3 In the buffer area --- well, let's talk --- we'll talk about 11, what we call 4 OOU11C. That area they found just some fragments of a rifle grenade when 5 they were doing the initial investigations in the early or in the mid-nineties. 6 They didn't find any concentrations of any ordnance in this area, so --- so we 7 expect possibly to find some old rifle grenades or fragments of rifle grenades 8 in this area. That's --- again, that's all they found during that initial 9 investigation. 10 In the buffer zone here, primarily grenades. This area was used as the 11 grenade training area, grenade, what they called the grenade court for training. 12 They used both practice and live grenades during --- during their training in this 13 area, and the pineapple type grenade that you see on TV and that, that's exactly 14 what they have found in this area, some smoke, and some smoke grenades. BY MR. GIBSON: 15 16 So we don't really expect a lot to be taken out of there? 17 BY MR. SCHWALM: 18 We've --- we've not removed a lot of grenades in the last --- in the buffer 19 areas for the last two times we've been out there. I think it was like 10 or 15 20 the last time, and the time before that maybe a half a dozen grenades. Not a 21 lot ---22 BY MR. GIBSON: 23 And ---24 BY MR. SCHWALM: 25 Not a lot.

1 Most of the grenades were --- and most of the activity was more up the hill in the center of the ---2 3 BY MR. GIBSON: 4 And of those you removed, how many of them were actually live? 5 BY MR. SCHWALM: 6 I don't know the exact number, but there were --- there were actual live 7 high explosive grenades in that area. 8 BY MR. HAYES: 9 So which ones were not given right of entry? Was that the red ones? 10 BY MR. SCHWALM: 11 No. No. No. The red area was work that was previously completed and 12 areas that have been worked where the geophysical mapping has been 13 completed, just possibly some removal action still remaining in the red area. 14 In the blue shaded areas is the new work for us to do the geophysical 15 mapping so we can determine how much more intrusive investigation may be 16 required or may be needed in those areas. 17 BY MR. HAYES: 18 So some of the blue doesn't have right of entry? 19 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY: 20 No, all the properties have right of entry. 21 BY MR. SCHWALM: 22 No, they have right of entry. The right of entry is not an issue. It's just 23 funding. In the previous years, funding. This is all we were able to accomplish

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with the funding that was received.

BY MR. MCKINLEY:

- 1 Concerning the right of entries on this area, we made preliminary contact 2 with the owner, and we don't anticipate any, any problems in this area. 3 BY MR. HAYES: 4 The part on the inside, has that been cleared or is that ---5 BY MR. SCHWALM: 6 Yes, there's been clearances conducted on the inside of what you see the 7 --- what we call the buffer zone is the --- is the circle you see there. Inside 8 that area there has been different cleanups during the year with the last 9 cleanups in that area being around the 1999 and 2000, somewhere in that area 10 by a --- by a contractor, I think UXB was the contractor doing the work in that 11 area at that time. 12 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 13 Anymore questions? 14 BY MR. SHOOLBRED: 15 How much? How much funding is there and how many of these sites are 16 we going to be able to do in the coming year or this --- in this winter or what do 17 you anticipate? 18 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 19 We anticipate, based upon the findings that come out of the mapping, ---20 BY MR. SHOOLBRED: 21 Uh-huh (affirmative response). 22 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 23 --- being able to conduct removal activities in these two areas we
- 25 BY MR. SHOOLBRED:

discussed.

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           Can you point those out to me? I'm not real sure.
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     BY MR. MCKINLEY:
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           It's the areas in blue.
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     BY MR. SHOOLBRED:
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           In blue.
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     BY MR. MCKINLEY:
           That we're going to do the mapping. As I understand it, there's also some
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     additional areas, and I don't --- I don't know the ones right off the bat that
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     some additional removal activities may have to be undertaken in that area.
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     BY MR. SCHWALM:
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           In the Wedgewood area, yes, and then in 11C area, the --- this --- this
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     was the area that they talk about mapping, and we'll do that in the January time
     frame, and then follow-on, you know, in case of funding, and, you know, shortly
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     thereafter.
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     BY MR. SHOOLBRED:
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           Uh-huh (affirmative response).
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     BY MR. SCHWALM:
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           That's ---
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     BY MR. HAYES:
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           Are those street names there?
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     BY MR. MCKINLEY:
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           Yes.
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     BY MR. SCHWALM:
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           Yes.
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           It's out on the corner of Huntington Drive and ---
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     BY MR. MCKINLEY:
           Cedar Springs.
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     BY MR. SCHWALM:
           --- Cedar Springs Drive. It goes up that intersection there. It goes
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     north.
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     BY MR. MCKINLEY:
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           And that area is right behind the school.
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     BY MR. SCHWALM:
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           Yeah.
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     BY MR. MCKINLEY:
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           Yeah.
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     BY MR. HAYES:
           It's down across from the street, right?
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     BY MR. SCHWALM:
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           Yes.
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     BY MR. HAYES:
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           Down the creek.
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     BY MR. TOBIAS:
           All right. Done with that.
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           The next order of business is I would like to suggest that the --- we
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     make contact with the South Carolina Forestry Commission. They're in charge
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     of woods fires in the state and see if they'll look into writing some kind of a
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     basic fire management plan for the old camp. I've asked the Corps, and they
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     said the information is public information, and the Forestry Commission can
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     have access to it and develop a --- kind of some guidelines for fighting fires on
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- 1 the park, especially at night, and with heavy equipment, and see if we can get
- 2 them a generalized game plan to go with, and we'll probably include in one of the
- 3 next meetings a representative from the state and probably the state parks
- 4 and the fire departments to come and review it, and I think that's something we
- 5 can do and the state will do for us, and I just think it will be a good community
- 6 service and safety, address safety issues for that.
- 7 I guess everybody has been aware of the fires in California, and things
- 8 like that can happen here, and we just want to make sure that the first
- 9 responders are aware of issues they face. I just think that that's in good faith
- 10 we ought to do that.
- 11 Okay.
- 12 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:
- Does the board want to discuss that?
- 14 BY MR. HAYES:
- 15 Are we going to draw up maps of where it's been cleared and where it
- 16 hasn't or ---
- 17 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 18 Well, we're going to let the state do a little research and see what they
- 19 want to do. I would think they would probably want to keep something very
- 20 basic and some basic protocols of who to call, like the Sheriff's Office and the
- 21 fire departments, the first responders, a game plan, basically. I --- I don't
- 22 think it would be something that would try to include every scenario and every
- event, but just may have --- and probably have a map, which would include the
- 24 horse trails, and we would probably try to use back fires and existing roads to
- 25 keep minimize heavy equipment. I really feel concerned about putting

- 1 bulldozers in like on the golf course, the hand grenade area and that kind of
- 2 thing. It might be a good game plan.
- 3 So we just want to make sure that they're aware that this information is
- 4 available, and they will draw up some kind of a fire management plan and give it
- 5 to the first responders. That would be Camp Croft, Glendale and Pacolet, along
- 6 with the Sheriff's Office, DNR and the state parks.
- 7 BY MR. HAYES:
- 8 And the Forestry Commission.
- 9 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 10 And the Forestry Commission.
- 11 BY MR. GIBSON:
- 12 Does that include Pauline-Glenn Springs?
- 13 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 14 That include --- well, yeah, they'll include Pauline-Glenn Springs, too, and
- we'll probably ask for representatives of those agencies to be here when they
- do, the Forestry Commission makes a presentation, if that's all right?
- 17 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:
- 18 Sure. They're on our mailing list.
- 19 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 20 Do you all have anymore discussions on that?
- 21 BY MR. SHOOLBRED:
- Well, I've got a question. Are there --- there's dirt roads and stuff all
- 23 out through there. Are those clear? Are they --- I mean is it safe for them to
- 24 run equipment on that?
- 25 BY MR. TOBIAS:

1 I would think so. Well, I think they're going to have to research and 2 really see, but I believe your roads and your horse trails have been cleared to 3 accept minimum standards. 4 BY MR. SHOOLBRED: 5 Uh-huh (affirmative response). 6 BY MR. TOBIAS: 7 And I just think that they should be aware of what's available for them 8 to use in a back fire scenario. I know they've --- the state has given them 9 several four-wheelers they could use to drag fire torches down the horse trails 10 and light off, and what you want to do is contain that to an area. You may want 11 to give up some acres versus give up people's lives. 12 BY MR. SHOOLBRED: Uh-huh (affirmative response). 13 14 BY MR. TOBIAS: 15 You know, I would highly recommended, and they probably will highly 16 recommend not fighting fires at night if there's no structure threats and wait 17 until the daytime. I think that's a real issue, nighttime fire fighting. 18 BY MR. BOUGHMAN: 19 What about the areas that were previously timberland and they had been 20 ploughed numerous times and cleared and ploughed and cleared and ploughed for 21 two or three generations? 22 BY MR. TOBIAS: 23 I'd still be scared of them.

It seems like every time Mr. Campbell down there ploughs his fields for

dove fields he ploughs up bazooka rounds and mortars. So I think, you know,

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- 1 there's a lot of debris laying on top of the ground, and, you know, if we're having
- 2 a fire situation, and which it's just a matter of time before the park burns. It
- 3 burned in the sixties, I think.
- 4 BY MR. SHOOLBRED:
- 5 I remember that.
- 6 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 7 Most of them remember it. It's been here a long time, and I think the
- 8 people just need to have a good safe plan of action, and if the Forestry
- 9 Commission doesn't know that these things are made available to them, then
- 10 they're not thinking. They're not knowing, and we're going to make sure they're
- 11 aware the information is out there and let --- put the ball in their court about
- 12 how to handle it, and include around houses, too.
- We --- we --- they --- they use dozers around houses, and I think they
- 14 need a game plan about that and probably use water and foam instead of heavy
- 15 equipment and try to minimize the heavy equipment; and then I believe that he
- 16 should come and present it to the community and let them know that the course
- of action we're going to take.
- 18 BY MR. GIBSON:
- 19 Sounds good to me.
- 20 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 21 Okay.
- 22 BY MR. SHOOLBRED:
- 23 Yeah, I think it's a good plan.
- 24 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 25 Well, ---

1 BY MR. HAYES:

2 It's been due for a long time.

3 BY MR. TOBIAS:

- 4 --- it's past due, and I think we're going to go ahead with it. You know,
- 5 the board, and I'll --- I'll make the recommendation to the State Forestry to
- 6 have somebody to draw it up.
- Okay. So we're going to do that, and then under new business, I think,
- 8 Gary, you said you had a couple of questions.

9 BY MR. HAYES:

- 10 Yeah, I was approached by some of the members of the community. They
- 11 approached me. Some of the community members were upset. This is kind of
- 12 an ongoing thing. They were upset that the by-laws were changed without
- coming through the board, and they were upset that business meetings were
- being conducted without the chair, and they were wanting to get a petition
- 15 going to ask the Corps of Engineers to find another facilitator or contractor,
- whatever you want to call it, instead of Zapata Engineering; and I told the
- 17 citizens, I said, "Look," I said, "they are a contractor for the Corps of
- 18 Engineers," and said, "Before you go signing a petition, we need to approach the
- 19 Corps. They might be doing what the Corps is telling them to do."
- 20 And so these people said, "Well, ask --- ask the Corps if they're telling
- 21 them to do that."
- 22 So that's what they asked me to do. Here, I was wanting to ask Mr.
- 23 McKinley just a couple of questions.
- 24 Did US Army Corps of Engineers order, encourage, persuade or support
- 25 Zapata Engineering to follow through with these actions in disrespect to the

- 1 by-laws? And if the Corps of Engineers did not order, encourage, persuade or
- 2 support Zapata Engineering to follow through with these actions in disrespect
- 3 to the RAB's by-laws, the concerned citizens of Spartanburg would like to know
- 4 from the Corps of Engineers why something hasn't been done and what would be
- 5 their procedures to start a petition in disrespect of how the by-laws were
- 6 written?

7 BY MR. MCKINLEY:

- 8 I can address that. First of all, let me say that as a representative of
- 9 the Corps of Engineers I'm extremely happy with the job that Zapata
- 10 Engineering has done in facilitating these meetings. As with anyone, anyone is
- 11 free to call the Corps of Engineers, send a petition in, call the district
- 12 commander. You can contact me. My information is there. You know, I'll
- address that, but I can pass on my statement that the Corps of Engineers is
- 14 happy with the job that Zapata Engineering has done facilitating these
- 15 meetings, and I'll leave it, leave it at that.
- 16 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- Okay. Well, I'd like to ask the general public here if you have any
- 18 questions for the board or the Corps?
- 19 Go ahead, sir. Can you say your name?
- 20 BY MR. LONG:
- 21 I want to ask the Corps of Engineers ---
- 22 <u>BY MS. LONG:</u>
- 23 His name is Jonas Long.
- 24 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 25 Okay.

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     BY MR. LONG:
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            We've got some property here at the Gun Club ---
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     BY COURT REPORTER:
           I'm sorry. I can hardly hear you.
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     BY MS. LONG:
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           You need to speak up so she can hear you.
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     BY MR. LONG:
 8
            Oh, okay.
 9
     BY COURT REPORTER:
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            Thank you.
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     BY MR. LONG:
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            We've got some property down at the Gun Club area, and I went down
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     there ploughing the land two summers ago, and as I was ploughing, I happened
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     to look back, and I found a thing about that long about that big around, and I
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     didn't have no idea what it was, but I ploughed up more than that before I know,
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     and I don't call the bomb squad. I lost the number. So I called 911.
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            Spartanburg County came out. I mean everybody. It wasn't one or two.
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     It was everybody. When I said there's a bomb, boy, everything went off. They
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     asked me what I had, and I said, "A bomb."
            And he said, "What's that? What?"
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           I said it again, and they had everybody came out.
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           Then the next day I came and was coming, that he come down there, he
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     said, "Go run all those deputies off."
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           I said, "That isn't my job."
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           He said, "I'm telling you to do it. Go do it."
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- I went up there and I started telling them to leave one at a time, you
- 2 know, where I could talk to them, and this guy recommended me get into it with
- 3 the Army Corps of Engineers to get them to bring a machine in there and stake
- 4 this land and see if they can get rid of these things.
- 5 I ploughed that one area, and they won't let me plough no more.
- 6 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- 7 How long ago was this, sir?
- 8 BY MS. LONG:
- 9 How long ago has it been?
- 10 BY MR. LONG:
- 11 It's been --- it's going on three years now.
- 12 BY MS. LONG:
- Three years.
- 14 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- Three years, and what area was it, again, please?
- 16 BY MS. LONG:
- 17 It's down in Spartanburg Gun Club. It's right out of Whitestone right off
- 18 295 out on Fretwell Road.
- 19 BY MR. LONG:
- 20 160 Fretwell Road.
- 21 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- 22 And, again, what did the responders do with the findings?
- 23 BY MR. LONG:
- They said they dig them up and put them in a pile and blow them up.
- 25 BY MR. MCKINLEY:

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1
           Okay.
     BY MR. LONG:
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           Right on the spot when they found them. He said there's more there now.
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     BY MR. MCKINLEY:
           And you're not able to plough your fields you said?
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     BY MR. LONG:
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           Do what now?
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     BY MR. MCKINLEY:
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           You're not --- you're not utilizing your property because of that?
     BY MS. LONG:
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           You can't plough your field no more?
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     BY MR. LONG:
           He told me. He told me not to until I had it staked out.
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     BY MR. MCKINLEY:
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           Okay. Let me talk with you after the meeting.
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     BY MR. LONG:
17
           Okay.
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     BY MR. MCKINLEY:
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           And we'll take a look at a map and see where it is.
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           Okay.
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     BY MR. HAYES:
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           Is this some of the Fretwell property? Was this formerly Fretwell
     property?
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24
     BY MS. LONG:
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           Property was.
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- 1 BY MR. LONG:
- 2 Yeah. Yeah.
- I don't know what the first name, but it was a Fretwell that owned this
- 4 property. At one time it was Spartan Range Research.
- 5 BY MR. HAYES:
- 6 Yeah.
- 7 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 8 Hold on just a minute, Robin. Are we done with the discussion with ---
- 9 BY MS. LONG:
- 10 We're done.
- 11 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- Okay. Because that's good. We'll get --- you talk to him.
- 13 All right.
- 14 I saw Robin Zimmerman would like to say something.
- 15 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:
- The old Fretwell property that you own, sir, that was heavily used as a
- 17 bazooka and a rifle grenade impact range. At the time the Battle of the Bulge
- 18 happened, they also started firing 60 and 81 millimeter mortars there. They
- 19 were processing troupes out here so fast.
- This area supposedly, Mr. McKinley, has been covered one time before.
- 21 Now the people here, the Corps, whoever, whatever has been told that, and you
- 22 hear this man's story. I mean they were back down in that area back in 1996
- and '97 claiming they had cleared it.
- I happen to know on the other side of the road, I bet I could go out
- 25 there tomorrow with a metal detector and find 40 rifle grenades without any

- 1 problem. I'm not going to do it unless somebody paid me to, but I mean I could
- 2 do it.
- 3 BY MR. HAYES:
- 4 I don't think they ever cleared it.
- 5 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:
- 6 It has not been cleared.
- 7 BY MR. HAYES:
- 8 Susan wouldn't let them in there.
- 9 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:
- 10 Yeah, there were no right of entries for the Fretwell property.
- 11 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:
- 12 Well, on that other side of Fretwell Road, okay. I'm --- I stand
- 13 corrected.
- 14 I'm sorry.
- 15 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:
- 16 There was some --- some of the EE/CA.
- 17 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:
- Because I know on that left side they definitely were, because I went
- 19 down there and saw them drinking liquor when they were supposed to be --- not
- 20 to be smart, but that's what they were doing. They were sitting there drinking
- 21 Jack Daniels when they were supposed to be out on the EE/CA equipment.
- 22 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:
- Correct, and --- and any of those adjacent areas back in the mid-nineties
- 24 were part of the EE/CA investigation, which was the site investigation, not a
- 25 clearance. So it was data collection, and there was some intrusive activity to

- 1 dig the items to see what was below the surface, but there was not ever an
- 2 actual --- it has not gotten to the clearance stage, yet.
- 3 BY MR. ZIMMERMAN:
- 4 Because that was maneuver area one when they came here.
- 5 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 6 Okay. Is there anymore questions from the public?
- 7 Well, ---
- 8 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:
- 9 I still have me.
- 10 BY MR. HAYES:
- 11 Well, I've got one. Have any of your neighbors found the same thing?
- 12 BY MS. LONG:
- We don't have any neighbors. We're the only house.
- 14 BY MR. LONG:
- 15 Yeah, that guy named Randy Dotson live over on the next property down
- 16 from us, he finds them, too, on his property.
- 17 BY MS. LONG:
- 18 He lives down there. We don't have any neighbors.
- 19 BY MR. LONG:
- 20 As a matter of fact, he got a pile of dummies down there, too, called
- 21 dummy shells.
- 22 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 23 And what's his name?
- 24 <u>BY MR. LONG:</u>
- They call them dummy shells.

1 BY MS. LONG: 2 What's his name? 3 BY MR. HAYES: 4 What's his name? 5 BY MS. LONG: 6 Randy Dotson. 7 BY MR. LONG: 8 Randy Dotson. 9 BY MR. TOBIAS: 10 And he's adjacent landowner? 11 BY MR. LONG: 12 Yeah, he's the next man over from me. 13 BY MR. TOBIAS: 14 Well, there's no doubt there are ordnances around. That's the whole 15 point of the Restoration Advisory Board is to try to promote the clearing of the 16 land, but it's --- it's almost impossible, I think, and it's going to take years, and 17 we need to know where the people are having the problems, and that's --- that's 18 why you all should continue to come and tell us and don't you think? 19 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 20 That's the kind of information that --- that we need to know. We need to 21 know when somebody responds to an area. We need to know if an area should 22 have an immediate clearance action undertaken because of the danger that it 23 presents. If there's an extraordinary circumstance that presents itself, there 24 is an avenue to take where the Corps can come in and do immediate removal 25 activity if the situation warrants it.

1 So whenever something is found, you know, first of all, don't touch 2 anything. Call 911, and then call the Corps of Engineers in Charleston so we're at least aware of what you found. 3 4 Thank you. 5 BY MR. TOBIAS: 6 Yes, sir. 7 BY MR. SPIETH: 8 I've got a question. When the bomb squad responds to something like 9 that, do they then automatically inform Zapata or the Corps of Engineers, or 10 does it kind of die right there in the Sheriff's Office in Spartanburg? 11 BY MR. MCKINLEY: The procedure would be that they would notify the Corps of Engineers, 12 13 and that's why it's good to have the responders, you know, at meetings like this. 14 I think this area has done an excellent job in notifying the Corps when 15 something has been found. 16 BY MR. SPIETH: 17 So presumably if somebody goes back and looks in the records, whenever 18 this finding was made two years ago, someone with something was reported to 19 somebody at the Corps of Engineers? 20 BY MR. MCKINLEY: 21 That would be the ideal situation. 22 BY MR. SPIETH: 23 It may or may not happen? 24 BY MR. MCKINLEY:

It may or may not have happened.

1 BY MR. HAYES:

- 2 Is there a precedent for one landowner not giving right of entry and then
- 3 somebody else buying the property, and then the new owners not being able to
- 4 get their land cleared because the other person didn't give a right of entry?
- 5 Do you understand what I'm saying?

6 BY MR. MCKINLEY:

- 7 Yes. At the time the right of entry is refused to the Corps of Engineers,
- 8 at that point it becomes a potential situation where the liability transfers away
- 9 from the Department of Defense at that point, and that's a legal question that
- 10 the attorneys have to deal with, but the answer is that's conceivable.

11 BY MR. SPIETH:

- 12 I think we've ploughed this ground before, but there's nothing reflecting
- on the deed or anything that refusal that was refused, right? There's no way
- 14 to go in the courthouse record if you're buying a piece of property and be able
- 15 to verify whether or not permission had been granted or not or refused?
- 16 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- 17 I'm not aware of that information being recorded on a deed.
- 18 BY MR. SPIETH:
- So you really wouldn't know if you're buying a piece of property what the
- 20 status was unless you came to your office and looked?
- 21 BY MR. MCKINLEY:
- Potentially, yes.
- 23 BY MR. SPIETH:
- 24 Yes. Okay.
- 25 BY MR. HAYES:

1 I'm just curious how many acres do you all have down there? BY MS. LONG: 2 Twenty-five acres. 3 4 BY MR. LONG: Twenty-five acres. 5 BY MR. GIBSON: 6 Just more curiosity. When you bought the property, did you realize it 7 was a part of the old camp area? 8 9 BY MR. LONG: 10 Not at the time. 11 BY MR. SHOOLBRED: How long have you owned the property? 12 13 BY MR. LONG: 14 Been there seven years. 15 BY MR. SHOOLBRED: 16 Seven. 17 BY MR. TOBIAS: Anymore questions from the board? 18 (NO RESPONSE) 19 20 BY MR. TOBIAS: 21 Anymore questions from the public? 22 (NO RESPONSE) 23 BY MR. TOBIAS: Well, I think we're going to adjourn this meeting, if that's all right? 24 25 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY:

1 One more thing. Elections for next year. 2 BY MR. TOBIAS: 3 Oh, yeah. 4 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY: 5 Oh, yeah. 6 BY MR. TOBIAS: 7 Okay. 8 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY: 9 Or for next meeting. 10 I just wanted to let the board know that per the by-laws the chair holds 11 the position for one year, and we have our elections annually, and our next 12 meeting, which will be later this winter, early spring, will be time to elect a 13 chair, and I can read from the by-laws what that process is so you can be 14 thinking if you would like to volunteer or have a group for nominations for the 15 next meeting who might be interested in being considered for running for the 16 chair. 17 The chair holds --- can hold a position for two terms, and it would be the 18 co-chair representing the community who will co-chair the board along with the 19 government. 20 So in the by-laws the community co-chair shall be elected annually by a 21 majority vote of the RAB members by written ballot. The chair will be elected 22 by a majority vote. That's written twice. For subsequent elections, now that 23 our board has been established, we've been active for over ten years, a 24 nomination committee of three community members may be appointed by the 25 community chair to recommend a nominee. Other members may be nominated

- 1 from the floor. Write-in candidates and self-nomination are other avenues for
- 2 election to the co-chair position. Written ballots will be counted and the
- 3 results announced. The elected co-chair position shall be held for one year with
- 4 re-election restricted to one additional term, and the co-chair elect will assume
- 5 office at the next meeting.
- 6 So we will have our elections at the next upcoming meeting, and then the
- 7 newly elected co-chair would assume the following meeting.
- 8 So I wanted you all just to be thinking so you're ready for that at our
- 9 next meeting.
- 10 BY MR. TOBIAS:
- 11 Go ahead, sir.
- 12 BY MR. COOPER:
- I'm sorry to interrupt, but first of all, I want to apologize to everyone. I
- 14 was asked to be on this board a long time ago, and the first meeting I actually
- 15 forgot about. The two previous meetings I was out of town, and as a result, I
- 16 figured, well, I couldn't give any input because I felt kind of lost as to what was
- going on, and so I didn't show up, which I apologize immensely for.
- I will become very active in this committee. I'm the head of the home
- 19 association in Camp Croft. I promise I will be at all the meetings in the future,
- 20 but I apologize immensely for putting it aside; but, again, I just thought, you
- 21 know, I kind of missed the boat and it wasn't fair to come and intervene.
- I didn't feel comfortable sitting up here tonight, which is why I sat
- 23 there, but I have a question. Can I get a copy of all the previous meetings at
- 24 some point where I could review everything that has been gone over?
- 25 BY MR. GIBSON:

1 The minutes. 2 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY: Right, the meeting minutes for all meetings over the last ten years are 3 4 posted on the website at www.campcroft.com. 5 BY MR. COOPER: 6 Oh, okay. 7 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY: You click on Restoration Advisory Board, and it will take you to the 8 9 transcripts. All of the transcripts are there. Hard copies are also in the 10 library in the Information Repository in downtown. 11 BY MR. COOPER: 12 Great. I appreciate it. 13 BY MS. CANTOR-MCKINNEY: 14 So all that information is available. BY MR. COOPER: 15 16 When I come back to the next meeting, I will be up to date. I promise 17 you. 18 BY MR. TOBIAS: 19 Well, if there's no further business, I guess we'll adjourn this meeting. 20 BY MR. MULLINAX: 21 Motion to adjourn. 22 BY MR. LITTLEJOHN: 23 Second.

(MEETING CONCLUDED AT 7:20 P.M.)

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