

**Military Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Joint Meeting**  
**28 October 2019**  
**1500-1544**

**Virginia Beach Members Present**

CAPT Stephen Brennan, RADM Kevin Cook, LCDR Diaz Adalberto, Elizabeth Dietzmann, RADM Phillip Olson, CDR Kathleen Owens, RADM Fenton Priest, RADM Craig Quiqley, CAPT Robert Rieve, CAPT Louis Schager, Jr. Vice-Mayor James Wood, VBDA Joseph Strange

**Norfolk Members Present**

Tom Bosse, Mel Branch, Will Fediw, Jack Kavanaugh, Len Remias, Rick Dwyer

**Welcome and introductions**

- Chair welcomed members and guests
  - Guests introduced themselves

**Norfolk International Airport Update – Robert Bowen / Mal Branch**

- Introduction of Robert Bowen
- Where we are – site currently since 1938:
  - Since 2015 – after coming out of the recession and sequestration the number of departures has increased
  - Non-stop markets have increased
  - Breaking records this year since 2005
  - Capital Projects – parking facilities – renovations plus additional garage, baggage screening, airfield signage, lighting to LED, additional elevators, aviation custom facility, loading bridge replacements and additional passenger loading bridges
  - Funds for these projects will be generated from operations, Federal and State funds
  - No tax dollars will be used
- Future Plans:
  - Resurfacing Runway in sections to keep the runway in operational status
  - Economic impact study
  - Master Plan forecast
    - New development
    - Reconstruction
    - Rental Car facility
    - De-icing chemical recover area
    - Taxi-way resurfacing and reconfiguring
    - Expanding aviation facility
    - Overrun area resurfacing
    - Runway rehabilitation
    - Increase to 39 gates
    - Total cost will be \$921 million dollars for the master plan
  - We now will have to provide a financial plan for approval

- The base of the runway is still in good condition according to the engineering report
- The parallel runway needs to be separate from the master plan

#### **HRMFFA Update – RDML Quigley**

- Budget – No appropriations that have moved to the Senate. The Impeachment is taking all the front seats.
- The HRMFFA Board of Directors going to DC to meet with Federal Agencies - Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Army Corp of Engineers, NASA and Energy Department

#### **Maritime Industrial Base Regional Ecosystem Initiative – VADM Architzel (Craig Quigley)**

- Architzel in DC so Quigley shared
  - National Defense Strategy
  - Additional maintenance in Hampton Roads as soon as possible
  - If it touches the water, it is Maritime
  - The skillsets to support the Off-Shore Wind Industry can be done in Hampton Roads
    - Many commonalities in the ship building and repair industry that support the Off-Shore Wind Industry
    - The existing ship building, and ship repair facilities can be utilized as well as the Port itself
- Allen Baker – Off-Shore Wind
  - Dominion Energy has inquired as to when the Maritime Industry would come in and play a role in getting the project started.
  - Dominion Energy – 220 turbines to be constructed in the future
  - Second wave of more after that
  - History in Massachusetts and Connecticut – They did have the skillset to build and construct the turbines, but not the skillset for deep-water installation
    - Offered higher wages in the submarine industry
    - Need to learn what to avoid from the history
  - Shipyard – concerned with having the workforce needed for this project
  - No skillset here for deep-water installation
  - Opportunity is there, but more skillsets are needed
  - High cost to provide the training needed
  - Possible Mid-Atlantics supplier
  - The analysis shows this area is the perfect spot on the East Coast
  - DOD presence here is a plus
- Ray White –
  - Kitty Hawk is 2 years behind us
  - They will be looking to us for assistance
  - Share the charts electronically

**Adjournment at 1631**

**Next Joint MEDAC Meeting TBD –**

**Next Virginia Beach MEDAC Meeting: January 27 @ 1500**