

1 forthcoming. Hearing no questions, Mr. Conyer asked for a motion to accept the audit
2 report as circulated. **Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Valentine to accept the**
3 **ALH, No.5 Bi-annual Audit as circulated. Motion carried.**

4 Item #3-Approve Confidential Assistant Contract: Mr. Pratt stated that a copy
5 was provided in the packet of the proposed contract by Barton Rumsey to provide
6 services to SRA to help with re-licensing or other items such as shoreline violations, as
7 necessary on a part-time schedule at his current rate of \$39.25 per hour. He stated that
8 Mr. Rumsey had retired, but had been working on a part-time program which ended on
9 January 16th, 2008 and he was requesting that the committee review and recommend to
10 the Board to approve the contract services of Barton Rumsey. The question arose
11 concerning Executive Order No. BJ 2008-3 by Governor Jindal about a hiring freeze.
12 Mrs. Ferguson interjected that staff was working with the Division of Administration to
13 make sure that SRA would be exempted from the freeze. She also stated that actually
14 Mr. Rumsey would be going from a classified position to a non-classified position and
15 not actually as a “new” hire. **Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Steed to**
16 **recommend to the Board to approve the contract proposal presented by Barton**
17 **Rumsey as the Confidential Assistant subject to a favorable exemption from the**
18 **Executive Order by the Governor through the Division of Administration. Motion**
19 **carried.**

20 Item #4-Approve Executive Director’s Contract: Mr. Pratt stated that a copy of
21 his current contract had been circulated within the packet. He stated that it is basically
22 the same contract except his beginning salary will be \$112,322.00 and a 4% merit
23 increase, which is the standard set by the State, was provided each year afterward. **Mr.**
24 **Steed moved, seconded by Mr. Valentine to recommend to the Board to approve the**
25 **contract renewal presented by Jim Pratt, Executive Director for the next four years.**
26 **Motion carried.**

27 With no further business, **Mr. Vidrine moved, seconded by Mr. Conyer to**
28 **adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:51am.**

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ROBERT CONYER, CHAIRMAN