

*New Orleans Municipal Yacht Harbor Management Corporation*

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**February 14, 2011**

**6:30 p.m.**

**First Baptist Church, 5290 Canal Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana**

1. John Manard, President, called the meeting to order and requested a roll call by Ashlyn Graves.

2. **Board of Directors Present:**

Pat Bell  
Doug Cunningham  
Ashlyn Graves  
Michael Liebaert  
John Manard  
Jennifer Medley  
Warner Tureaud

**Board of Directors Absent:**

Charlie Eshleman  
Alva See

**A quorum was present.**

The following amendments to the published agenda were proposed by a motion made by Mr. Tureaud seconded by Ms. Medley: defer action items #1-7.

On a motion by Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Tureaud, the Board approved a motion to suspend the approval of minutes from the previous meeting.

**Action Items:**

Mr. Manard explained that action items #1-7 were on hold due to a series of events and a new procurement officer at City Hall. City Hall, through the City Attorney's office, is trying to straighten out the contracting process. We are working with Bob Rivers who is in charge of updating this contracting process. Soon the City will have a formal process in writing for all city departments.

Jim Tideman gave the board an overview on his background working with FEMA, what he is doing now for us and an update on our FEMA claims.

Ian Thompson with Sizeler Thompson Brown explained what STB is doing and his opinion on the FEMA claims.

John Manard discussed 3 decision points for the Board to consider concerning the FEMA claims:

1. Wording and terms of CEA with the City.
2. Agree to scopes of services with STB and all other consultants.
3. Authorizing STB to contract with a company to do mooring piling work/surveys.

**Monthly Financial Report:**

Mr. Cunningham gave the MYHMC board an update on the board's finances.

**Information & Discussion Items:**

Due to time we cut the information & discussion items from 18 items to 6 items.

1. Report of the Nominating Committee – Mr. Manard reported and commented on the importance of changing leadership. The board needs to change the approach to more of a group effort. There are 2 new potential board members – Ric Smith and Stephen Daste – who can assist Mr. Cunningham and operate as a “finance committee”. These are the 3 people who will really understand the finances of this board. Mr. Manard reported that the legal committee will consist of himself, as chair, Ms. Medley and Mr. Halpern who will be joining the board in the very near future. Mr. Manard also gave background information on the community sailing center and the fact that he will resign when it takes off. He gave his wishes for new board members and the skill sets needed. (legal, architectural, senior engineer, and insurance)
2. FEMA claims process – Mr. Manard gave an update on the process dating back to Hurricane Katrina.
3. Report on security guard company invitation for bids – has been advertised, bid submission ends on 3/1/11. We do not have to pick lowest bid but must justify our selection.
4. Report on website – Mr. Manard asked that anyone who has the time please visit the website and give input by end of week. Wayne & Kim will be trained and able to make changes to site after it is set up.
5. New Board Members – Mr. Manard reported that Ric Smith and Stephen Daste should be approved in the very near future. They will assist Mr. Cunningham as part of the finance committee.
6. Update on the vessel Manana electrical supply – Mr. Manard gave an update on Manana’s electrical supply and how the issue is being handled.

**Adjournment:** On a motion made by Mr. Tureaud and seconded by Mr. Cunningham the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.