

New Orleans Municipal Yacht Harbor Management Corporation

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 14, 2012

6:30 p.m.

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

Warner Tureaud called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm and requested a roll call by Jennifer Medley.

Board of Directors Present:

Ashlyn Graves
Michael Liebaert
David Halpern
Alva See
Warner Tureaud
Jennifer Medley
Kiana Mitchell
Winston Burns

Board of Directors Absent:

Connie Uddo
Reginald Smith
Patrick Bell

A quorum was present.

The agenda was amended in which action item #1 was removed on a motion by Ashlyn Graves seconded by Kiana Mitchell. The vote was unanimously carried.

The agenda was approved as amended and adopted on a motion by Winston Burns, seconded by David Halpern and unanimously carried.

On a motion by Ashlyn Graves, seconded by Alva See, and unanimously carried, the minutes from the regular meeting of April 23, 2012, were approved.

Action Items:

1. On a motion by Michael Liebaert, seconded by Ashlyn Graves, and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted declaring the Motor Vessel Phoenix to be surplus property and authorizing the acceptance of an insurance settlement.
2. On a motion by David Halpern, seconded by Jennifer Medley, and unanimously carried, a resolution was adopted authorizing the execution of contract with the firm of Burglass and Tankersley for legal services.

Information and Discussion Items:

1. Mr. Tureaud updated the board on the progress of the administration building. Construction is underway with the sidewalk and there is a problem with the sewer line on the New Orleans Yacht Club side of the building. Some of the new sidewalk had to be removed in order to replace an old cast iron pipe that rusted out and collapsed. Precision Construction is still working on the concrete block work in the restrooms and laundry area on the first floor. There have been some issues with the subcontractor handling the electrical, plumbing, and mechanical work. Precision has been meeting with other potential mechanical subcontractors to replace the one who is non-responsive. Discussions are continuing between Capital Projects and FEMA with respect to elevating the main electrical panel.
2. Mr. Tureaud discussed the progress of the FEMA claims for the harbor. Capital Projects Administration held a meeting on site on April 24th with representatives of FEMA to discuss their disputing of our consultant's engineering report with respect to the assessment of damages. Chip Conklin, P.E. with Construction Solutions did a great job presenting our case and fielding questions. Capital Projects is awaiting a response from FEMA.
3. Mr. Halpern, Ms. Mitchell, and Ms. Medley gave a report from the Legal Committee. Mr. Halpern indicated that the qualifications of ten firms were reviewed in reference to the selection of the firm of Burglass and Tankersley.
4. Mr. Casey discussed the Personal Financial Disclosure Statement and Ethics Training on the Code of Governmental Ethics. He reminded the Board members that May 15th is the final deadline to file their Personal Financial Disclosure Statement forms. Ethics online training through the state is also a requirement for all board members. Once completed, each Board member can print out their certificate and forward it to the office where it will be kept on file.
5. Mr. Casey presented the Executive Director's Report. There were six topics: 1.) Gulf States Dive and Rescue (a for-profit company) is going to have a first responder training on Monday, May 21st at the boat launch for firemen, emergency preparedness and rescue people, as well as the coast guard. A hold harmless agreement and a deposit has been provided; 2.) On Sunday, June 3rd, Brother Martin High School will hold a fishing

tournament at the boat launch; 3.) We will be setting a date for a Rules and Standards Committee meeting prior to the next Board Meeting; 4.) Now that work has been completed at the flood gate on the levee, we are following up on the status of the repair to the "The Dip" on West Roadway Drive. A call has been placed to the Department of Public Works; 5.) New Orleans Yacht Club received a final inspection on the kitchen hood from the State Fire Marshall; and 6.) We have received a positive letter from the Legislative Auditor concerning the 2011 Audit and it was distributed to the Board members.

Other Comments and Issues from the Public:

Adjournment:

On a motion by Kiana Mitchell, seconded by Alva See, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:25pm.

Date and Time of next meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 25, 2012 at the First Baptist Church.