

New Orleans Municipal Yacht Harbor Management Corporation

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 13, 2013

6:30 p.m.

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm and requested a roll call by Ashlyn Graves.

Board of Directors Present:

Ashlyn Graves
David Halpern
Alva See
Howard Rodgers
Warner Tureaud
Thomas Forbes
Connie Uddo

Board of Directors Absent:

Reginald Smith
Shannon Sims

A quorum was present.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

The agenda was approved and adopted on a motion by Howard Rodgers, seconded by Connie Uddo and unanimously carried.

On a motion by Thomas Forbes, seconded by Howard Rodgers, and unanimously carried, the minutes from the regular meeting of April 8, 2013 were approved.

Action Items:

1. On a motion by Ashlyn Graves, seconded by Connie Uddo, and unanimously carried, the resolution authorizing the acceptance of the 2012 Audit was approved.
2. Mr. Forbes provided a Boat Launch Committee report. The boat launch survived Hurricane Katrina but didn't survive Hurricane Isaac. The site appears to be in fair shape above the water with the exception of the wooden transit piers which are broken up and are no longer connected to shore. That is the primary reason why the launch was closed. The condition of the concrete ramps below the water is unknown. An engineering firm along with a diver will need to survey the condition of the facility in order to prepare plans. The Committee is in agreement and recommends applying to the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for Sport Fish Restoration funds under the Wallop-Breaux Public Boating Access Program. Annually, LDWF receives funding from the U.S. Department of Interior as a result of excise taxes collected from boaters.

On a motion by David Halpern, seconded by Howard Rodgers and unanimously carried, the resolution authorizing the solicitation of surveys, engineering reports, and cost estimates in order to apply for Sport Fish Restoration funds for repairs to the Breakwater Drive Boat Launch was approved.

Information and Discussion Items:

1. The Administration Building was discussed by Mr. Casey. The Capital Projects job order contractor has completed the contents removal from the first floor storage room, as well as the additional lead paint remediation of the ceiling, structural steel columns, and beams. Contract issues between the City and Precision Construction have not been resolved.
2. The FEMA Update was presented by Mr. Casey. The harbor design development plans are underway and Capital Projects has had several meetings with Sizeler and their engineering consultants.

The Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for the Hurricane Isaac claim is in process and Capital Projects estimates the value of the claim to be \$1,270,000.

The fishing pier coastal use permit has been issued by the Department of Natural Resources, and Capital Projects will be issuing a notice to proceed for the design.

3. The April Financial Report was discussed by Mr. Casey. MYHMC has total assets of \$3.2 million of which \$3.1 million is in cash interest-bearing accounts at Capital One bank and total liabilities of \$1,100,000. NOAA bonds which financed the last renovation

at the harbor are in deferral and total \$505,000 in principal plus another \$106,000 in accrued interest. Refundable deposits from boathouse leases that were signed but never accepted by the City amount to \$365,000. Our equity position is \$2.1 million of which unrestricted assets are \$1,046,000. On the revenue and expense side, we have \$45,000 in total income and \$58,000 in total expenses and we have a year-to-date loss of \$51,000.

4. The Boat Launch Committee Report was discussed by Mr. Forbes. A meeting was held on April 29th with Deputy Secretary Mark Schexnayder and Randy Meyers of Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries to discuss repairs to the boat launch and the application for Sport Fish Restoration Funds. MYHMC will have a need for an engineering firm to survey the existing condition of the boat launch, draw plans, and prepare estimates.
5. Mr. Casey presented the Executive Director's Report. There were three topics: 1.) Council member Susan Guidry held a lake area town hall meeting on April 17th; 2.) A letter from the Office of the Inspector General of the City of New Orleans dated May 8th confirming their satisfaction with the temporary repairs that were performed as a result of Hurricane Isaac damage was distributed to the board; and 3.) The June board meeting will be held on June 10th. Due to a scheduling conflict, the July meeting will be held on Monday, July 15th.

Other Comments and Issues from the Public:

None.

Adjournment:

On a motion by David Halpern, seconded by Alva See, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:00pm.

Date and Time of next meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 10, 2013 at the First Baptist Church.