

New Orleans Municipal Yacht Harbor Management Corporation

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 18, 2014

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:

Howard Rodgers
Connie Uddo
Warner Tureaud
Reginald Smith
Ashlyn Graves

Board of Directors Absent:

Shannon Sims
Thomas Forbes
Alva See
David Halpern

A quorum was present.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

The agenda was approved and adopted on a motion by Ric Smith, seconded by Howard Rodgers and the motion was unanimously carried.

On a motion by Howard Rodgers, seconded by Ashlyn Graves, and unanimously carried, the minutes from the regular meeting of October 14, 2014 and special meeting on October 28, 2014 were approved.

Action Items:

MYHMC is in receipt of a quote from Wegmann, Dazet & Co, LLC in the amount of \$12,500 to perform the 2014 Audit (slight reduction of \$250.00 for the cost of the 2013 audit). The cost was more in prior years starting around \$15,000 due to a number of issues that needed to be addressed when MYHMC first came into control of its funds. There were some issues the Board had to deal with relative to the Legislative Auditor's Questionnaire. This Resolution is similar to the one that the Board passed last year.

On a motion by Ric Smith, seconded by Howard Rodgers and unanimously carried, the resolution "Authorizing the execution of a contract with Wegmann, Dazet & Co., LLC to prepare the 2014 Audit" was approved.

Information and Discussion Items:

1. Boathouse Leases and Supplemental Lease Agreements were discussed by Mr. Casey. The extended lease for Boathouse 57 was approved by the law department and the lease has been recorded. That boathouse has since transferred, and Wayne Bloom had Warner Tureaud sign the assignment forms prior to the meeting. The owner of boathouse #66 has submitted the required items which are currently being reviewed by the law department. There are about fifteen lessees that have not provided all of the items that are required for the extended lease.
2. The FEMA update was provided by Mr. Casey. In October, the Governor's Office of Homeland Security (GOHSEP) submitted the R.S. Means report to FEMA and the Capital Projects Administration also submitted Sizeler's 98% construction documents to GOHSEP and to FEMA for their review. As of this date, neither GOHSEP nor CPA has received a response from FEMA.

CPA is working with the contractor's bonding company with respect to the development of a "Takeover Agreement" for the construction of boathouse #93. Yates Construction which is based in Mississippi has been selected by the bonding company.

3. The Financial Report was presented by Mr. Smith. MYHMC has total assets at the end of October of \$3.444 million dollars of which \$3,420,000 million are current and the bulk of that is \$3,302,000 million in a form of cash at Capital One Bank. Howard Rodgers is working to develop a Banking RFP to look at the possibility of moving MYHMC's funds due to the pledging requirements of the assets. On the liability side, MYHMC has a total of \$906,000 of which \$505,000 are long-term which are NOAA bonds. Current liabilities

total \$401,000 which is accrued interest and unearned revenue on the payments we receive on leases. Our fund balance is \$2,537,000 of which unrestricted net assets is \$1,515,000. For the month of October, total income was \$68,000 with ordinary expenses of \$71,000 and other interest expenses of \$3,000 which brings us to a net loss of \$7,000. The year-to-date income is \$569,000 and ordinary expenses total \$610,000 with other expenses of \$31,000 which gives MYHMC a net loss for the year of \$73,000.

4. Mr. Casey presented the Executive Director's Report. There were five topics: 1.)The City Council's budget hearing for the MYHMC's 2015 operating budget was held on October 30th; 2.)The lease for the Community Sailing Center was approved by the City Council at its meeting on November 6th. The City Council ordinance and the lease are in the process of being signed by the Mayor; 3.)The Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) between MYHMC and Wildlife and Fisheries for the grant to repair the Breakwater Drive boat launch is in the process of being executed by the State; 4.) Southern Yacht Club has executed the standard hold harmless agreement with MYHMC and they are currently starting to store boats and trailers at the boat launch for the balance of November as they get ready for the National Optimist Midwinter Championships next week; and 5.) Reminder to all the board members and city employees to submit and complete the Louisiana ethics training online.

Other Comments and Issues from the Public:

There was a question about the location of the repaired boat launch. It will be in the current location and the wooden piers and the concrete ramps will be repaired. The fishing pier will be relocated to the North side of the bulkhead of the Breakwater Drive Boat Launch.

There was another question about FEMA Harbor Claim and the various potential repair scenarios. Keep in mind that the State of Louisiana through GOHSEP is the primary recipient of the FEMA award. Currently, the claim has been determined by FEMA to be a repair claim based on their assessment of damages to be less than 50% of replacement cost.

There was another question concerning variances by the Rules and Standards Committee. The Committee does not have the ability to grant variances to items that are addressed in the existing City Council Ordinance.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Ashlyn Graves and seconded by Ric Smith, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:05 p.m.

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Date and Time of next meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.