

Minutes of the Marina Board Meeting held Thursday, July 16, 2009, at 11:30 a.m., at House of Flavors Restaurant.

Present: Chairman Jack Bulger, members Avery Benedict, Howard Hansen, and Kaye Holman.

Absent: Vice Chairman Dick Boes.

Also present were City Manager John Shay, Marina Manager James Gallie, and Marina Secretary Rachelle Enbody.

The meeting was called to order at 11:50 a.m.

There was no audience participation.

Moved by K. Holman, seconded by H. Hansen, to approve the minutes from the meeting held 6/18/09, as printed. Motion carried.

Moved by K. Holman, seconded by H. Hansen, to accept the June 2009 Financial Report. K. Holman questioned the invoice from Pro-master Carpet Cleaning. J. Gallie explained that Pro-master Carpet Cleaning cleans the carpets in the dayroom once each spring and also cleans the marina restrooms throughout the season, which results in a monthly billing. Motion carried.

J. Gallie gave the Manager's Report. The Transient Dock Project should be able to go out for bids soon. J. Shay explained that he spoke with project engineer Mark Lee who stated that the breakwall project is ready but that we are still waiting for authorization from the State to let the transient dock out for bids. It is the intention that both projects are to be bid at the same time, with the contractor(s) choosing to bid on either project separately or both together. It is hoped that the bidding climate will be favorable and that the bids can be approved by the City Council at the second August City Council Meeting. The project is anticipated to begin after Labor Day, and be finished in the spring of 2010. J. Gallie mentioned that any extra limestone that is removed from the north side of the marina when the seawall is installed is needed at the slope at the end Ferry Street and at the curve at the entrance of the marina. J. Shay stated that using limestone other than at the breakwall is outside the scope of the project. Six new benches were installed at the marina that match the benches in Waterfront Park. The wooden benches that were removed from the marina were given to the Department of Public Works to be used throughout the City. The marina did not fill up for the Fourth of July weekend, being short by seventeen boats, while past seasons have been over capacity by thirty to thirty-five boats for the Fourth. This weekend is the Offshore Classic Fishing Tournament and there are seven slips still available. There were three personal injury accidents reported within the past few weeks. An employee received a shock from the switch for the diesel pump take up reel and was sent to the hospital to be checked out. A Charter Boat Captain tripped and fell on the sidewalk, injuring his knee, elbow, and ribs, and also breaking his watch. A third person stepped on a cable wire sticking out of the ground and went to the emergency room. The cable was located, cut off below grade and buried. The cable was not an electrical cable. The trim on the main building will be painted next week by low bidder Johnson and Johnson Painting. Boat numbers for July are at 184 boats to date. The total number of boats for July 2008 was 483 boats. Fuel prices are at \$2.91 per gallon for gasoline and \$2.81 per gallon for diesel. J. Gallie showed the Board an example of the decorative fish signage that will be placed in different areas of the marina. The new flagpole that replaces the previous one is at the Department of Public Works and will be put up when the new transient dock is completed. K. Holman questioned why there isn't a flagpole at the building and J. Gallie explained that there is a flagpole at the turnaround with a United States flag, a State of Michigan Flag and pennants. The season is going fairly well, but J. Gallie is hoping next year will be better.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Rachelle D. Enbody, Marina Secretary