

Minutes of the Marina Board Meeting held Thursday, November 19, 2009, at 11:30 a.m., at House of Flavors Restaurant.

Present: Chairman Jack Bulger, Vice Chairman Dick Boes, members Avert Benedict, and Kaye Holman.

Absent: Member Howard Hansen.

Also present were City Manager John Shay, Interim Marina Manager Jim Christensen and Recording Secretary Rachelle Enbody.

The meeting was called to order at 11:40 a.m.

There was no audience participation.

Moved by K. Holman, seconded by A. Benedict, to approve the minutes from the meeting held 10/15/09 as printed. Motion carried.

Moved by D. Boes, seconded by K. Holman, to approve the October 2009 Financial Report. K. Holman questioned why the clothing allowance line item was over budget and J. Christensen explained that additional uniform shirts were ordered for the employees. Motion carried.

J. Christensen gave the Manager's Report. He updated the board on the progress of the construction of the new transient dock. The sheeting is in and they are now working on the storm drain outlet. They are also running conduit for water and electrical lines. They will then do the rough grading and dredging and be finished for the winter. All of the stone along Loomis Street has been removed. The Grand Patio area will be elevated and have railings. It will be a nice focal point along the dock. All but four seasonal contracts were returned for 2010 and those remaining slips will be filled from the waiting list. The Martin birdhouse was in poor shape and Jim took it to the woodshop class at Mason County Central and the students rebuilt the birdhouse for a cost of \$45.00. Jim will be attending the Waterways Commission Meeting in December to request additional seasonal slips due to the addition of transient slips with the new transient dock. Jim spoke with the engineer of the dock project to share some ideas about shade structures at the small patio areas at the ends of the dock. The cost of the structures is approximately \$15,000.00 per structure and won't be added at this time, but Jim wanted to make sure that the areas would allow for the addition of structures in the future. Jim also suggested that anchors be placed in the concrete of the grand patio area to accept tent structures with the possibility that events will be held there. The marina would dictate the size of the tent structure and Jim will get tent dimensions to determine anchor placement. Jim also suggested that the color of railing on grand patio be consistent with the colors of the marina.

A letter was received from seasonal boaters Carl and Linda Phillips. The board reviewed the letter and Jim addressed their comments. He will also provide Mr. & Mrs. Phillips with a written response to their questions and comments. The letter stated that they would like to see more presence of the marina staff on the docks talking with boaters on the weekends and inspecting the dock boxes, ropes, and boats during the week. The other comment about the staff was that they drive the golf cart too fast when emptying the trash. Jim stated that he doesn't feel that they have been driving the cart too fast but will advise the staff to go more slowly. He also stated that at the end of the season there were some days where there were substantial winds and the staff did go through the marina and re-tie all the boats. If the staff sees a problem with lines, they will correct it, but boaters are ultimately responsible for tying up their own boats. The letter also asks if there could be different combinations to the bathrooms to separate the seasonal and transient boaters. Jim stated that the marina cannot provide different facilities for seasonal and transient boaters, nor can they deny access by the

public because the marina was constructed with grant funding and is available for public use. The third suggestion in the letter asks for wireless service. Jim placed a wireless router in the office so that boaters could access the internet in the dayroom and is also working with the City's IT people to get an estimate for the equipment that would provide wireless service to boaters free of charge. The fourth comment stated that there have been homeless people sleeping on the benches in the marina at night. Jim stated that he noticed only one person hanging around the picnic shelter area and had the police speak to him and hasn't seen that person since. He will work with the police department to make sure they are checking the marina at night. The final comment in the letter states that D dock is the only dock that does not have its own grill at the end of the dock. Jim will order a grill for the end of D dock. In closing, the letter states they loved the new improvements at the end of this year's boating season and that they are looking forward to more improvements next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

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Rachelle D. Enbody, Recording Secretary