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MINUTES OF THE MARINE ADVISORY BOARD
100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE
8TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA
THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2013 – 6:00 P.M.

<u>Board Members</u>	Attendance	Cumulative Attendance May 2013 - April 2014	
		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Barry Flanigan, Chair	P	1	0
James Harrison, Vice Chair	P	1	0
F. St. George Guardabassi	P	1	0
Norbert McLaughlin	P	1	0
Jim Welch	P	1	0
Robert Dean	P	1	0
John Holmes	A	0	1
Bob Ross	P	1	0
Joe Cain	P	1	0
Tom Tapp	A	0	1
Herb Rassing (arr. 6:10)	P	1	0
Frank Herhold	P	1	0
Lisa Scott-Founds	A	0	1
Zane Brisson	A	0	1
Erik Johnson	A	0	1

As of this date, there are 15 appointed members to the Board, which means 8 would constitute a quorum.

It was noted that a quorum was present for the meeting.

Staff

Andrew Cuba, Manager of Marine Facilities
Jonathan Luscomb, Supervisor of Marine Facilities
Matt Domke, Downtown Facilities Dockmaster
Levend Ekendiz, Intracoastal Facilities Dockmaster
Sergeant Todd Mills, Marine Police Staff
Brigitte Chiappetta, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

Communication to City Commission

None.

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

believed they are the work of a single individual. The other thefts were spread throughout the City.

Chair Flanigan asked why the City had re-floated one of the sunken vessels. Sgt. Mills explained that FDEP had floated the boat to remove its fuel; the City had then kept it afloat so it could be tagged as a derelict vessel. The boat's owner will be held responsible for these costs.

Chair Flanigan asked if salvage companies were typically called in cases such as this. Sgt. Mills advised that this occurred when the vessel had value, which was not the case in this situation. The boat was towed to Riverbend Marina to be demolished.

Mr. Guardabassi recalled that at the April Board meeting, there had been discussion between the Board members and three homeowners regarding wakes on the New River. Sgt. Mills said enforcement in this area has been increased, and the Marine Unit is working with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC) to set up an operation in the subject area.

Vice Chair Harrison requested a report on the recent Air Show. Sgt. Mills replied that there were far more boats on the water on Saturday than on Sunday. He stated that while the promoter had originally disagreed with the Coast Guard regarding how many marker buoys and/or boats would be placed in the water, the event had gone very smoothly.

Chair Flanigan asked if progress had been made regarding the replacement of the Marine Unit fleet. Sgt. Mills said two sets of engines have been received, and the Unit hopes to secure grant funds so more can be purchased. He added that this year's proposed Marine Unit budget includes replacement of boats. The preferred replacement vessels are Intrepid hulls. There are currently eight boats in the fleet, one of which is unmarked. All vessels in the fleet are at least 10 years old.

VI. Waiver of Limitations – ULDR Sec. 47-19.3 C&E – Robert LeClair & Vincent Gauthier – 777 Bayshore Drive

Tyler Chappell, representing the Applicant, showed a PowerPoint presentation to the Board, stating that the property is located on the Intracoastal Waterway and has an existing marina. The waiver is for a proposed boat lift and is not related to any dock structures on the property. The boat lift would extend 4.5 ft. beyond the 25 ft. restriction. Both the boat and boat lift would remain within the confines of the existing marina.

He provided a survey and photographs of the marina, identifying the location of the proposed boat lift and the existing docks and mooring piles. The extension

into the waterway would be 29.5 ft. in an area in which the waterway is 344 ft. across from the wet face of the seawall to the finger pier. The location faces west, which means there are some effects from wind and waves. The high wave pitch coming from nearby accelerating vehicles leaving a No Wake Zone is one reason the Applicant's vessel should be on a boat lift.

Mr. Herhold requested clarification that the structure would remain within the footprint of the existing docks. Mr. Chappell confirmed this, noting that one of the slides showed the existing submerged land lease boundary. The location of the proposed lift was identified on the slide.

Vice Chair Harrison asked what size boat could be moored at the existing slip without a boat lift. Mr. Chappell said the vessel to be secured on the boat lift would be no larger than 35 ft.

Mr. Dean asked if the dock itself was 23.5 ft. in length. Mr. Chappell confirmed this, stating that the property line lines beneath the marginal dock. The Applicant has secured all necessary permits other than Building Department approval, which required the waiver of limitations.

As there were no further questions from the Board at this time, Chair Flanigan opened the public hearing. There being no members of the public wishing to speak on this Item, Chair Flanigan closed the public hearing and returned the discussion to the Board.

Motion made by Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

VII. Waiver of Limitations – ULDR Sec. 47-19.3 C&E – Gilles Blondeau / Multimo LLC-3012 NE 20 Ct.

Mr. Cuba advised that this Item has previously come before the Board for approval. Chair Flanigan stated that the owner wished to bring certain items discussed at a previous City Commission meeting to the Board's attention; there would be no need for a vote on the Item unless any member of the Board wished to change his previous vote.

Steve Tilbrook, representing the Applicant, noted that Mr. Chappell is also a consultant with the project being presented. He recalled that it was originally an after-the-fact application. He noted that mooring piles have been removed from the property. New materials and a proper site plan are being presented with the current Application.

He showed a PowerPoint presentation to the Board, stating that the request is for a waiver of limitations for two mooring pile clusters. The property is 11,875 sq. ft.,