## DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MARINE ADVISORY BOARD 100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE COMMISSION CHAMBERS – FIRST FLOOR FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2016 – 6:00 P.M.

Cumulative Attendance May 2015 - April 2016

Board Members		Present	<u>Absent</u>
	Attendance		
James Harrison, Chair	Р	5	3
F. St. George Guardabassi, Vice Chair	Р	7	1
Jim Welch	Р	7	1
Robert Dean	Α	6	3
John Holmes (arr. 6:06)	Р	5	3
Joe Cain	Α	6	2
George Cable	Α	2	1
Jack Newton	A	4	4
Jimi Batchelor	Р	6	2
Cliff Berry II (arr. 6:01)	P	6	1
Grant Henderson	Р	6	1
Bill Walker	Р	5	0
Zane Brisson	Р	1	1
Richard Graves	Р	1	0

As of this date, there are 14 appointed members to the Board, which means 8 would constitute a quorum.

## **Staff**

Andrew Cuba, Manager of Marine Facilities
Levend Ekendiz, Dockmaster
Sergeant Todd Mills, Marine Police Staff
Chief Tim Heiser, Fort Lauderdale Fire Department
Division Chief Stewart Ahearn, Fort Lauderdale Fire Department
Brigitte Chiappetta, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

## **Communications to City Commission**

**Motion** made by Mr. Batchelor, seconded by Mr. Newton, that as the yachting capital of the world and a marine industry hub, with such a high number and density of boats and large yachts in the City, the ability to fight fires on boats is critical; and as a new fire boat has already been approved and funded, the Board requests that the City Commission expedite the RFP and the bidding process for this boat, as it is important and necessary. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.