



FLOATING HOMES ASSOCIATION, INC

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 15, 2017

Community Room, Public Safety Building, Marin City, CA

Present: Michele Affronte, Katherine Boschetto, Sally Champe, Larry Clinton, Charlotte Hampton, Sandy Harford, Teddie Hathaway, Peter Hudson, Alison Johnson, Felicity Kirsch, Michael Labate, Court Mast, Linda Sempliner, Ted Sempliner, Joan Sheahan, Bob Sinaiko, Katherine Soter, Jenny Stein

Call to Order-

Jill Hoffman, Sausalito City Council

Jill Hoffman explained the history and current position the City of Sausalito holds with the Richardson's Bay Regional Agency (RBRA). Sausalito is planning to withdraw from the Agency at the end of June. The stress is on the city to deal with the problem. The city pays \$137,000+ to RBRA but has not seen the results it needs. Sausalito police are having to do enforcement, too. RBRA has five moorings. All the rest are illegal.

The primary concerns are the abandoned and derelict boats on the bay. There are three phases to the Sausalito Plan:

Phase 1- Get rid of marine debris- this is nearly complete

Phase 2- Remove vessels that are a danger to themselves or others

Phase 3- Long term management plan- RBRA/Sausalito/Anchor outs. This is up to several government agencies. This is complicated as anchor-outs are on trust public lands. Galilee Harbor is a good reference for solving this kind of situation.

Minutes-

1. Approve minutes of April 17, 2017 Board Meeting- Larry Clinton moved and Teddie Hathaway seconded a motion to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report- Joan Sheahan

1. Financial reports- Ted Sempliner moved and Sandy Harford seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's report.

Standing Committee Reports

Web Site

1. Katherine spoke with Linda Meyer, who has an extensive marketing background, about looking at our website and giving us suggestions for reaching more people more effectively including current members, prospective members and those who need information about us. She will get back to us by the end of June. Larry said we need to have someone keep the website up to date.

Government Relations –Teddie Hathaway

1. Teddie and Charlotte wrote a letter to be sent from the FHA to the RBRA. Teddie read it to the group. After a discussion and suggestions from the Board, Kathryn, Teddie and Jennie will get a letter to Katherine tomorrow which she will send to the Executive Board for approval. The letter will be read at the public meeting on Tuesday, May 16th.

Public Relations – Michele Affronte

1. The San Francisco Chronicle will be doing a section on Marinship. Larry will check to see if we can take out an ad for the Tour to be placed in this section.

Environment- Jennifer Gennari, Jenny Stein

1. A discussion was held about aerial spraying at Waldo Point Harbor. They will do spot application, not aerial spraying. Sandy will keep us informed through email.

Tour- Larry Clinton

1. We have 15 homes and a backup set up. We have Yellow Ferry and Julie Durbin's boat which have connections to World War II. We are selling tickets on Eventbrite. Larry will get an article into the Floating Times for next week. Volunteers and those attending are encouraged to come in '40s dress. There will be Swing music and other bands. We have parking in the WestAmerica parking area. There will be 4 shuttles taking people to Kappas green. The greeters will ride the shuttles and do the orientation on the ride. We have 2 food vendors- Cousins Maine Lobster and Drivers Market. We are looking for a third vendor to set up a table on the green. Michael Labate suggested an ice cream vendor, and the Tour Committee will follow up.

Floating Times- Larry Clinton

1. We have 95 confirmed subscribers. We are encouraging contributions to the Floating Times from the individual docks. Larry requested that each dock photograph their activities. We are due for a quarterly e-blast to the entire community. Larry will work with Linda to do this.

Emergency Preparedness- Flo Hoylman

1. Peter Hudson presented a list of emergency equipment and tools we need for the trailer. The cost is about \$2500.00. Teddie moved and Jen seconded a motion to purchase this equipment. Motion carried.

Old Business

1. Finalize plans for reserving the Jazz and Blues table. (Larry Clinton). Jen Gennari sent dates to the dock reps for their docks. Six people for the table and blankets for others from the dock. Dock Reps will notify dock members of the date and put up a sign up sheet for the table. The dock rep will bring additional blankets for the ground. Information will be sent to the Dock Reps.
2. Dock Carts- Kathryn Soter – Dock Reps counted the number of FHA carts on each dock this morning. The final numbers are 17/ 2-tiered carts and 26 deep ones for a total of 43. A discussion was held on the kind we need to buy. Katherine Boschetto will bring a proposal for new carts to the next meeting.

New Business

1. Sausalito Gym Anytime Fitness Discount – There is a new fitness center coming to Marin City. We will encourage the management to put up flyers on each dock offering discounts to the first 100 people to join.
2. Update on Appleton Ark lawsuit- Joan Sheahan- The FHA was sued in 2014. The lawsuit has been settled and we should get a dismissal in the next few weeks. Our insurance covered the settlement.
3. July 4th Parade- We need someone to organize the FHA kazoo marching band. We can order T shirts for it via Café Press.

To Do List

Teddie, Kathryn, Jennie compose a letter to the RBRA and send to Katherine by Tuesday 5/16

Katherine: get the RBRA letter to the Executive Board for approval on Tuesday 5/16

Everyone: Subscribe to the Floating Times and get dock members to do so, too.

Everyone: Find someone to keep the website up to date.

Larry Clinton will check with the Chronicle about getting a Tour ad in the Marinship section.

Katherine Boschetto will bring a proposal for new carts to the next meeting.

Everyone: We need someone to organize the Kazoo Marching Band for July 4th parade.

Adjourn- Michael Labate moved and Court Mast seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried.