

STATE OF ALABAMA                    )  
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The Harbor Board met at 4:30 p.m.,  
Civic Center, Delchamps Room, 161 North Section St.,  
Fairhope, Alabama 36532 on Wednesday, 8 July 2015.

Present were Chairman Tom Yeager, Members: Tony Chavers, Skip Jones, Bob Riggs, James Gillespie, Marion Wynne, Dan Ames, and Jennifer Olmstead. Mayor Timothy Kant arrived at 5:05 p.m.

Chairman Tom Yeager called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Skip Jones invited Ben with the Mobile Bay Wooden Boat Club to speak about placing the "Madame Tussaund" at the City Boat dock. The boat would be used as an educational tool after restoration.

Marion Wynne discussed the Harbor Board By-laws to be brought before the City of Fairhope City Council at the July, 13, 2015 regular session meeting.

James Gillespie brought up the lease agreement between Mike Francis and the City of Fairhope, discussing the maintenance of the bulkhead.

Discussion about the difference between a commercial vessel and a recreational vessel took place for the revision of the lease agreement.

James Gillespie and Dan Ames discussed the maintenance and restoration of the bulkhead. Dan showed the quotes to Chairman Tom Yeager from Waller Marine Construction and Doug Ward & Co. LLC and discussed the methods of restoration for each quote.

Gary Gover from the FEAB spoke about some of the issues that were discussed at their meeting earlier the same morning. A questions was brought up about the Pump-out station that used to be at the Municipal Pier. The Mayor stated that the pump-out station by the City docks in Fly Creek was up to standard and now directly connected to the City's sewer system. Navigability of channels at the Municipal Pier Marina and thru Fly Creek were discussed. James Gillespie stated that the Mayor has a copy of the most recent sound survey. Dredging North of Sunset Pointe was discussed with the Mayor stating that the Federal Government would not pay for dredging of private waters or non-commercial traveled waters. Tom Yeager gave a background of Fly Creek and how it was originally dredged in the 1950's with the capability of being able to walk from one side to the other before the dredging took place. Mr. Gover was also wondering about the runoff of storm water from Creek Drive may be a cause to the additional sediment. After the April 2014 Flood Event a survey of the depths was completed that stated the depths were fine except for one area of the turn basin and would not be considered for dredging at that time.

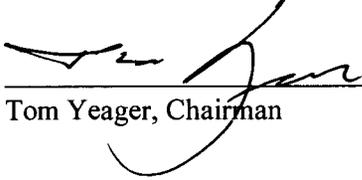
Abandoned vessels were discussed with Tom Yeager suggesting that he contact an organization that was successful in Dog River to rid the river of derelict boats (Dog River Clear Water Revival). Bob Riggs mentioned another group that was successful in Robert's Bayou as well. Bob Riggs showed the survey that the Corps of Engineers did in 2012.

Tyler Niehoff was wondering about the renewal of the Boat Yard Lease Agreement the City currently has with Eastern Shore Marine and if it would come up for public bid. The Mayor stated that the City Council would be negotiating the terms of the renewal.

Bob Riggs stated that with the passing of the new By-laws the next scheduled meeting would be held in October 2015.

Tony Chavers moved to adjourn. Seconded by Bob Riggs, motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

There being no further business to come before the Harbor Board, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

  
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Tom Yeager, Chairman