

**Minutes of the Meeting
of the
Board of Commissioners
of the
Fishers Island Ferry District**

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District was held at the FI Community Center on **Wednesday, May 4, 2011** at 4:30 PM.

Present were Commissioners: Brooks, Burnham, duPont Edwards and Rafferty.
Captain Easter and 4 members of the community attended.

Minutes of the meeting held on April 20, 2011, were reviewed, amended and approved.
Moved by Commissioner Edwards; Seconded by Commissioner Brooks
Ayes: All

A listing of the outstanding obligations of the District was distributed to the Board for review and discussion. All invoices were declared to abide by the Procurement Policy. At the conclusion of the discussion, a resolution to pay the outstanding obligations of: **\$98,102.99** as represented by vouchers **#1505 through #1534**, dated May 4, 2011 was;

Moved by Commissioner Edwards,
Seconded by Commissioner Rafferty;
Vote of the Board of Commissioners:

Ayes: Commissioners: Brooks, Burnham duPont, Edwards and Rafferty.
Nays: None

Correspondence

1. A letter from Captain Robert Dumochel was distributed to the Board. The letter explained a confrontation that Capt. Dumochel had encountered with a passenger while boarding one of the vessels. The Board agreed with his letter and has suspended for 2011, the year round ID card of the passenger involved.

Old Business

1. Margo Larson presented the HR study requested by the Board. She explained the various sections of the reports and then took questions. Carol Kardas then explained the compensation side of the study. She detailed a study of the various positions of the District as they compare to comparable companies. The study is not yet fully complete, but will be in the near future. Margo and carol plan to present the study at the annual ICCB meeting to be held on Memorial Day and to also make a presentation to the members of the crew.
2. A review of the Year Round list was tabled.
3. A review of the winter work list was conducted.
4. Voting requirements were tabled pending a report from the Ferry District attorney.

5. Two new listings of the rental properties were distributed to the board. The square footage for all of the properties has been completed. The Board will review.
6. A motion by Commissioner duPont to replace the existing audit firm with Gothie, Hoyt and Filippetti was not seconded and the motion died.
A motion to replace the existing audit firm with Marien Company LLC was MOVED by Commissioner Rafferty; SECONDED by Commissioner Edwards
AYES: Brooks, Edwards and Rafferty NAYES: duPont
ABSTAIN: Burnham.
7. The Additional Revenue report was tabled for a later meeting.
8. The Uniform Policy was accepted by the Board.
9. The 5 year Capital Improvement Plan from Captain Easter was tabled.
10. A review of the full time resident list will be performed at the next meeting.

New Business

1. 2011 Peak Season round trip and medical days were approved by the Board.
2. An additional fuel surcharge for passengers was tabled by the Board.
3. The commission is awaiting a confirmation letter from the CTDEP to provide the additional payment of \$30,000 to ECCD for the fish ladder project of 2005.
4. BD has requested short term storage of modular home trailers in the theatre parking lot. The Board agreed to a 10 day storage window along with a letter of indemnity.
5. The condition of the exterior and interior of the freight shed needs to be cleaned. The Board would like the area cleaned by June 1st and then kept maintained.
6. Preparations for the upcoming movie theater season were discussed. The District needs to explore the intentions of the community group interested in the theatre.
7. The Ferry District has been named in an Asbestos litigation suit, as a result of having one of its vessels built at Blount Marine in Rhode Island. The District plans to join with the Passenger Vessel Association in having the suit dismissed.

Public Comment

Gail Cypherd commented on some of the rates that have been proposed for rental properties. In some cases she thought that the rates were too low. Gail also questioned the need for COLA raises every year.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 17, 2011, 4:30 PM at the Fishers Island Community Center.

The Board went into Executive Session at 6:30 and exited at 6:45 PM, and the meeting was adjourned.

Thomas F. Doherty
Manager/Secretary

