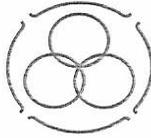


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Regular Board Meeting

DATE: Monday, December 3, 2007

PLACE: 4001 I-75 Business Spur
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Robinson Ted Postula Rodney Richards
Frank Sasso Aaron Hopper

MEMBERS ABSENT: None absent

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: Chuck Moser Akemi Gordon Jim Dunn, Attorney
Steve Soule Lyn Rairigh Lynda Schexnayder

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF ABSENT: None absent

OTHERS PRESENT: Jack Storey, Evening News Sugar Island residents

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I. - II. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:00p.m. by Chairman Sasso. All directors were present.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Willis (Sugar Island) questioned what disciplinary action the Board is taking with regard to Director Postula. Chairman Sasso responded that in the United States everybody is innocent until proven guilty and at this point in time that has not happened

There were no other public comments.

IV. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES –November 5, 2007

With regard to Regular Board Meeting Minutes for November 5, 2007; **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Richards; **SUPPORTED** by Director Hopper to approve said minutes with correction on Page 6; changing “Executive” to “Open”. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried.

V. FINANCIAL REPORT - P.E. October 31, 2007

BUSSING

Finance Director Gordon reported passengers carried in Chippewa County increased 3% in the month of October compared to 06 and 2% in Luce County. The JARC grant that will be presented to you during the Director’s report includes the same amount in 06 plus a 10% increased cost. This will bring our JARC grant to \$17,600 and will also include capital money for a new van.

FERRIES

Gordon reported the vehicle traffic on the ferries combined was almost identical to 06 with a difference of only 12 units. Drummond was up 166 units; Sugar was down 590; and Neebish was up 436.

Overall passengers were down 754 compared to October 2006.

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VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

GENERAL

Director Moser went over proposed Board Meeting dates for 2008. Moser requested the February meeting be changed to the second Monday (Feb. 11th) as we now have a seat on the National Legislative Committee of the Passenger Vessel Association. The next meeting is in conflict with our Board Meeting of February 4th. **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Richards; **SUPPORTED** by Director Postula to accept the meeting dates as submitted with the change in the February meeting to the second Monday as requested. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried.

Director Moser presented and recommended approval of Resolution 2007-0204/Z7 FY 2008 Section 5316 JARC program in the amount of \$45,600. **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Hopper; **SUPPORTED** by Director Richards to approve said resolution. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried.

Moser presented and recommended approval of Resolution 2007-0204/Z6 FY 2008 Section 5311 Operating in the amount of \$76,328. **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Postula; **SUPPORTED** by Director Robinson to approve said resolution. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried.

Moser presented and recommended adoption of the updated Advertising Policy. A short discussion and explanation followed. **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Postula; **SUPPORTED** by Director Hopper to adopt said Policy. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried.

FERRY SYSTEM

Moser reported the USCG has reconstituted the Northern Michigan Area Committee. They met last Wednesday and will meet at least four times a year. This committee is responsible to prepare the area, both public and private entities, to respond to potential discharges of oil and hazardous substances into the water. The committee is a planning and preparedness organization. There will be a full scale exercise in the Straits Area in September of 2008.

BUS SYSTEM

Moser gave an update on the 1st Congressional District. Senator Levin's office has reported that approximately \$4 mil has made it into the conference committee report so far. The next action will be to see if this amount makes it through the Senate. There is likelihood that the President may veto the bill.

Moser reported we have a proposal out for services to War Memorial Hospital. We are waiting for their response.

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VII. ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Dunn reported the Service Tax is no longer in existence; it is now a surcharge. A brief explanation was given.

Dunn reported that thanks to the work Director Moser has done with the PVA, there is a lot more interest in the local waters.

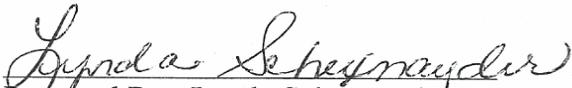
Dunn gave an update on the Handicap/Elderly Policy he is working on. A "draft" will be sent to Board Members in advance of the January meeting for their review.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Board, **IT WAS MOVED** by Director Robinson; **SUPPORTED** by Director Postula to adjourn. **UNANIMOUS**. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 5:17pm. The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, January 7, 2008, at 4:00p.m.



Mr. Aaron Hopper, Sec. /Treas.


Prepared By: Lynda Schexnayder