

## **Board of Director Regular Meeting Minutes**

September 28, 2018 Recorder: Donna Halvorsen

1. Call Meeting To Order: Harvey Mc Donald called meeting to order at 10:05am.

2. Roll Call:

Chair Thorne Bay Harvey McDonald present Klawock Jeff Nickerson Vice Chair present via teleconference Sec/Tres Craig Otis Gibbons present Patricia Gilbert Director Wrangell absent excused Anthony Christianson Director Hydaburg absent excused Director At Large Dee Dee Jeffreys present via teleconference Coffman Cove Brian Wilson absent excused Director

Staff Present: Dennis Watson, Chrissy Torsey-Lucero, Rich Rogers Staff present via teleconference: Walter Marsh and Donna Halvorsen

Public Present: None

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- 3. **Approval of Agenda** Motion: Approve agenda as presented; moved by Harvey McDonald and seconded by DeeDee Jeffries. Motion approved unanimously.
- 4. **Approval of Minutes** Motion: Approve minutes from June 14, 2018; moved by DeeDee Jeffries and seconded by Jeff Nickerson. Motion approved unanimously.
- 5. Public Comment n/a
- 6. Correspondence n/a
- 7. Manager's Report Dennis states that the TIGER grant is now called BUILD and he is working on getting familiar with the new guidelines for applying for it. He is also working on the Volkswagen litigation grant and will be meeting with someone today to determine how money will be dispersed. Dennis states the grant is geared for cleaner emissions, so we would use funding for upgrading or replacing our generator sets; he said that Walt provided the necessary information and we are just waiting to hear back. Jeff asks how much it costs to haul out POW for recent event. Chrissy said insurance deductible is \$100K and haul out cost is roughly \$22K so we are using IFA unexpected repair and maintenance fund to cover the expense. Walt said the divers could not remove the pipe from the bow thruster, so we had to haul it out; we are lucky we were able to get into shipyard so quickly. He continued that it is very difficult to run the boat without the bow thruster, but Rich and Scott did a great job. Harvey states that he was in town that day and was very impressed how well everyone worked together.
- 8. Old Business n/a
- 9. New Business
  - a. Motion: Approve motion to renew agreement 2019/2020 with Haida Vending; moved by Otis Gibbons and seconded by Jeff Nickerson. Motion approved unanimously.

- b. Motion: Approve that the IFA offers Driver Free January through April 2019; moved by DeeDee Jeffries and seconded by Jeff Nickerson. Motion approved unanimously.
- c. Discussion on General Manager position opening: Dennis states that although he is ready to retire, he will not push this process. DeeDee asks if anyone responded to the request for input email sent out several months ago; no one did. There was discussion then unanimous agreement among the Board that a workshop type setting for evaluating possible options was the best first step on how to fill or restructure the General Manager position. Harvey will call each Board member and IFA Managers and see if and when he/she will participate in such a workshop. It was agreed that the best location was Craig and if overnight facilities were needed, that would be accommodated.
- 10. **Board Comments** Harvey states that Island Air said the DOT may not plow the airport airstrip after 1pm this winter, and DeeDee states that plowing Coffman Cove road will likely happen *after* ferry traffic travels. Harvey states there is a lot of discussion about this on the internet and that someone from DOT commented that there is more information now than when Island Air posted the comment. The State is cutting costs where they can but POW residents need to be sure it is not at the expense of safety; some communities are contacting the governor and head of DOT to voice their concerns.
- 11. Schedule Next Meeting TBA
- 12. **Adjournment** Motion: Adjourn meeting at 10:40am; moved by Otis Gibbons and seconded by DeeDee Jeffries. Motion approved unanimously.