



Date: March 18, 2013
To: Members of the Marine Advisory Commission
From: Mark A. Sandoval, Manager of Marinas and Beaches
Subject: MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 14, 2013
MARINE ADVISORY COMMISSION (MAC)

Commissioners Present

Rick DuRee, Vice Chair
Eric Peterson
Scott Schaidle
Darlene Gidley
Randy Crawford
David Thornburg
Ted Kuhn
Mike Schachter

Marine Bureau Personnel

Mark Sandoval, Manager, Marinas & Beaches
Elvira Hallinan, Special Projects Officer
Vivian Crook, Secretary

City Staff

Jerry DeLeon, Sgt. LBPD/Marine Patrol Unit
Randy Foster, Chief, Marine Safety/LBFD
Hurley Owens, Supt./ Marine Maint.
Don Easterby, Interim.Supt., Beach Maint.
Julie Maleki, 3rd Dist. Council

Commissioners Absent

Peter Hogenson, Chair

Guests

Kevin Hendra, LBMBOA
Bob Vatz, LBMBOA
Marti Shelton
Larry Goodhue
Karl Weimer, LBMBOA

Vice Chairman DuRee convened the meeting at 2:30 p.m., at the Long Beach Yacht Club.

ROLL CALL

Mark Sandoval called the roll of commissioners.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- The February 14, 2013, MAC minutes were reviewed and approved as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Carl Weimer, LBMBOA, asked for the MAC Annual Report to be posted on line for 2008. Mark Sandoval said that he would look into the matter and see about getting them posted.
- Larry Goodhue talked about having Long Beach receive the bid for the 2020 Summer Olympics. He said that the slips in front of the LBYC need to be removed now, so that rowers can practice in this area.

Mark Sandoval commented that when the slips were designed, the possibility of holding an international rowing regatta was taken into consideration. All the fingers are removable and will not be an impediment. He did say that, should an Olympic rowing venue take place in that area, the bridge abutment would be an issue. Also, tidal fluctuation in the Bay would have to be taken into consideration and the Bay would have to be closed-off so that incoming tide would not affect rowing records.

- Kevin Hendra, LBMBOA, asked for an update regarding access to WiFi in ABM. Mark Sandoval said that a contract to install WiFi has been awarded. It was determined by the MAC that WiFi access be subscription based, because all available dollars above and beyond marina operations should be geared towards the rebuild.
- A woman in the audience asked about the status of the Marina Agent position she applied for in August. Elvira Hallinan responded that Civil Service is still holding on to this requisition, but that she was told that they were getting ready to prepare the test. She mentioned that she would be meeting with Personnel staff to discuss moving the requisition along faster.

OLD BUSINESS

- Mark Sandoval reported that Phase 1, Basin 4 is done. Phase 2, Basin 1 is moving forward. Docks 1 and 2 are nearly installed. Electrical service will be down for 12 hours the night of April 7, so that power can be brought to the docks. By the first week of May, Docks 1 and 2 should be complete and ready for occupancy. Customers have already been identified for all slips 90 feet and above. The second phase of Phase 2, Docks 3, 4 and 5 are on schedule to be completed by the end of June. He has been dealing with the Finance Committee regarding future phases. He said he should have more information next month.
- Mark Sandoval said that he did not have any updates regarding the LBSM Fuel Dock.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

BUREAU MANAGER'S REPORT

Marina Operations Report

Mark Sandoval reported on the slip status report for the month of February.

- For the month of February there were 29 boats in and 46 boats out. The economy is still soft and people are selling their vessels and getting out of boating. He said that the Bureau is advertising slips in the Log Newspaper, and staff is tracking to see how effective this will be.
- Vice Chairman DuRee asked if the new slips in ABM will accommodate wide vessels. Mark Sandoval responded yes, and explained that the reason there are narrow slips in LBSM is because during that rebuild, new docks were overlaid onto existing piles. Most of the slips on every dock were widened to meet DBW standards, which left many narrow slips. This was not the case in ABM as all the old piles were pulled.

Maintenance Operations Report

Don Easterby, Superintendent, Beach Maintenance, gave the Marine Maintenance status report for the month of February.

LBFD/Marine Safety Report

Chief Randy Foster gave the Marine Safety status report for the month of February.

- Chief Foster commended Don Easterby on the great work he and his beach crew are doing and have been doing to protect Lifeguard facilities and homes on the beach.
- Lifeguards responded to an incident last night and worked with LBPD/MP Units in removing a suspect from a boat and into custody. The suspect was transported to the hospital for blood work.
- Chief Foster showed the MAC a drawing of the new Bayshore Lifeguard facility. He explained that the facility was built in the 1920's and is deteriorating. It is the main facility for stingray treatment on the east beach. Over 500 people are treated for stings every summer at this location. He noted that Councilman DeLong has been instrumental in pushing forward support for this facility.
- Marine Safety is in the planning stages of a new Junior Lifeguard facility. The current Junior Lifeguard Program is located at 55th Place. This is not in a safe location for children to be dropped off and picked up, and it does not have a restroom. Chief Foster is looking for the new facility to be located at Claremont, which is much safer for the children and has a new public restroom facility at that location.

- Chief Foster reported on Marine Safety's new deployment model for the rescue boats at night. He said that service has been enhanced on rescue boats R-1 and R-2, explaining that there is now a third person on each boat. This is a wintertime operation only. He reported that an incident occurred in the Coyote Creek a couple of weeks ago where a car went off the freeway and into the water at 7 a.m. Three divers (LGs) were able to respond to this incident where normally there would only have been one.
- Lifeguard tryouts are this Saturday morning at 9 a.m. at Junipero. 150 people will be trying out to become summer Lifeguards.

LBPDP/Marine Police Security Report

MP Sergeant Jerry DeLeon, LBPDP/Marine Patrol Unit, gave the Marine Patrol report for February.

- Marine Patrol responded to a man causing a problem at the Stan Miller Yachts office. This led to an investigation, which revealed that the man had been illegally living aboard a permittee's vessel. He had taken property off the vessel and sold it, and also transferred ownership of some of the boatowner's property into his name. He had been living aboard the vessel for approximately two months. He was arrested for boat burglary and forgery. The boatowner suffered approximately a \$2,000 to \$3,000 loss. Sergeant DeLeon again encouraged boaters to contact Marine Patrol whenever they see anything suspicious in the marinas.
- Commissioner Peterson stated that he noticed there were a couple of outboard thefts in LBSM; one of the outboards stolen belonged to his neighbor. He complimented Marine Patrol on their heavy presence in the marinas. Sergeant DeLeon stated that since March 5 they have not had any outboards stolen. He said they are working with detectives to stop this crime.
- Commissioner Crawford commented that he has been seeing officers on regular bike patrols. He complimented Marine Patrol on their efforts.

Executive MAC

- No meeting held.

Operations Committee

- All items covered.

Facilities Committee

- Quarterly meetings.

Finance Committee

- Commissioner Schaidle said that the committee discussed funding for the marina rebuild. Mark Sandoval said that the committee met with Councilman DeLong regarding the rebuild and updated him on the rebuild issues.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- Mark Sandoval announced that the April MAC will be held at the Shoreline Yacht Club.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

- Bob Vatz, LBMBOA, asked if anyone had information on an email that he received from the 2nd District Councilperson regarding a meeting to be held at City Council to discuss response to the rising seawater and its effect on marinas. Mark Sandoval responded that this is the City's Tidelands and Harbors Committee meeting and they will be discussing how rising seawater will affect the entire City. Two consultants have been identified; Moffatt and Nichol, and Everest International who will provide a power point presentation on studies done on sea level rise. Mark stated that with the ABM rebuild, new piles are two feet higher than previous ones.
- The question was asked why Tidelands Funds are not available for the marina rebuild. Mark Sandoval responded that the policy at this time is that the marinas should be self-sustaining; and they are. He said that the positive aspect that came out of last year's budget process is that there is now a lot of attention being paid to the issue of how the rest of the marina rebuild will be financed. Commissioner Schaidle added that there are a lot of other different stakeholders who are also pushing for Tidelands funding.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m. The next meeting is set for April 11, 2013, at 2:30 p.m. at the **Shoreline Yacht Club**.

cc: George Chapjian, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine
City Clerk