

Overfalls Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2018
Net House, Lewes, DE

In Attendance: Al Didden, Eric Van Guilder, Nancy Beck, Don Gansaur, Bill Battista, Bob Gibson, Robert Perry.

Meeting called to order at 10:08 am

Secretary's Report: Minutes approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Restoration expenses will be capitalized. Expenses for the restoration should come in under \$200,000. Our cash balances are \$446,000. The budget was set not to exceed \$300,000. We have not yet received the dredging bill. The Gold trim color is not to specification, it was the only standard color available.

The 12/31/2017 accountants statement shows our income last year to be about \$60,000.

The accounting firm suggests 3 policies we should impliment:

Whistle Blowers – free to make complaints without losing board seat.

Document retention – record retention policy to include what and how long

Conflict of Interest

Old Business:

Shipyard Project update: Nicely done. We will get the gold color right the next time.

Internship update: Samantha Robinson will be here June 1 to August 3. She will work 30 hours per week and help with social media, a children's program and press relations. She will be staying with Tracy.

Scholarship update: Expect to receive a couple of resumes soon. These will be \$750 each.

Puzzle update: It will not be ready for the opening party, but we will be taking orders. The Puzzle Store is offering an apartment in London for the live auction.

New business:

Cathodic Protection System: An engineer is coming this week to do current measurements between the ship and the water in the slip to see if we have leakage problems with the ships wiring.

Dave Bernheisel presented his position in favor of going ahead with the cathodic protection system. He has reviewed a lot of information on the internet. Also, a Maritime Heritage Presentation by Bill Cogar who polled HNS (Historic Naval Ship) Association members about the system. They were mostly positive. Dave searched out two sources for quotations in the \$50K to \$60K price range. He contacted Longwood Foundation and put together material and wrote the proposal in March 2017. There is concern that the system is expensive to buy and maintain

and could cause other problems. System maintenance has been estimated at \$1000 to \$1500 per year. Once the ship was in the ship yard, we found that the “zincs” had done their job and the bottom was in good condition. This will remain an open action item. Albert is trying to contact the Chesapeake Light ship in Baltimore to see what they are doing. Our expectation is to save the ship forever. The Board of Directors wants to make sure we do the right thing.

Weather station: Don Gansaur would like to install a weather station at the ships store. It would need Wifi service which has been found in the past to be relatively expensive. More discussion necessary.

Committee Reports:

Safety: Sussex Environmental Associates will inspect the ship for lead paint and asbestos. Bill is also looking into installing O₂ detectors for public safety during tours.

DHG: Main deck is ready for tours.

Monomoy: Per Albert, there is still no insurance for the boat. It is ready for the summer season. We will go ahead with the July 4 boat parade.

Ships Store: Shelves are being stocked.

Maritime Hall of Fame: Nominations close the end of next week. It will be held 10/13/2018 at the Lewes Yacht Club.

Schedule of Upcoming Events:

Next Board of Directors meeting: Saturday, June 9, 2018 at 10 AM location TBA

Membership Meeting/Events

 Birthday Bash and Benefit, Friday May 25, 6-9 pm at the Virden Center, tickets \$50 on sale now.

 Zwaanendael Maritime Festival May 25-28, in Canal Front Park

 Lewes Boat Parade July 4, 2 pm

 Annual BBQ night, Thursday August 2, 6-8 pm, tickets on sale July 4

 Maritime Hall of Fame, Saturday October 13 at Lewes Yacht Club

Adjournment: 11:28 AM

Minutes respectively submitted by;

Bob Gibson
Secretary

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