

**San Francisco Marina Harbor
Association Membership meeting
January 23, 2020 Golden Gate Yacht
Club**

DRAFT Minutes - 23 members in attendance plus Harbormaster Scott Grindy and two prospective members

Approved minutes of Annual Meeting held November 15, 2018

Bruce Stone reported approximately 220 members and \$7580 in the bank

The following were elected as Officers and Directors for 2020:

Paul Manning, President	paul.manning@vce.com
Bruce Stone, VP, Sec and Treasurer	bruce@brucestone.com
Albert Wetter, Director	albert@awetter.com (not in attendance)
Al Cavey, Director Emeritus	alcavey2@msn.com
Risley Sams, Director	risleysams@yahoo.com
Kurt Hemmingsen, Director	dksailor.kh@gmail.com

SF Marina Harbor Master Scott Grindy spoke about the following:

1. Wave attenuator will likely be removed as it is not protecting the harbor, and the maintenance costs are excessive. The design was poor – should have been on pilings. The bolts and chains are breaking from the surge caused by ship wakes, which are also impacting the seawall between GGYC and St. Francis. Seawall repairs are expected to be completed by February.
2. Scott formed the Bay Area Marina Operators (BAMO) organization, a group of Bay Area harbormasters and marina operators working with USCG, Fish and Game and other enforcement agencies. They can advise each other, for example, on the criminal activity that is taking place in their marinas such as meth labs and theft.
3. Marina staff watch for people listing their boats on AirBnB.
4. Vessel Turn-in Program (VTIP) is underway with an \$88,000 grant from the state to get abandoned boats out of the marinas. 10 boats are in process of removal due to lack of payment.
5. Boat Services Contractors must register each day with the Harbormaster's office. Boat owners are asked to call Harbormaster if they have asked someone new to work on their boat.
6. New electronic system is being proposed to replace the residential-style locks in West Harbor gates that cannot handle our weather
7. Flare disposal program is planned for 2020. Scott asks that flares not be thrown into the garbage cans. The Marina will try to organize flare use training which is a great way to eliminate your expired flares.
8. \$395,000 was received into the Harbor Fund from outside event fees, much of it from SailGP which is returning on May 2-3, 2020
9. Sail GP has been tasked with offering water taxis or a similar solution to improve access to berths near GGYC.
10. The marina recently applied for an Emergency Oil Spill trailer and was awarded the grant. By fall 2020, the 12 foot fully-stocked trailer is expected to be on site.
11. Dredging – the City is reviewing if it can accept free dredging in return for giving away the sand. Currently the program is costing an extra \$1 million per year.

12. Degaussing station is being converted to the new Marina office and expected to open on April 1, 2020. Funding is coming from Open Spaces Contingency Reserve and Prop B general funds – not the harbor operating or capital projects funds. Planning is underway to modify the existing office with improved boater services and possibly a chandlery.
13. Ladders will be installed on docks to aid anyone falling into the water.
14. Occupancy is 98% for West Harbor and 75% for East Harbor. The latter is impacted by areas cordoned off for PGE soil studies. Rents for West Harbor will continue to go up by the CPI, currently in the range of 2.5 to 3% per year.
15. PGE filed for bankruptcy and the City is in-line for a cost recovery to aid the rehab of East Harbor, but it is expected to take many years yet.
16. The marina is reviewing possible improvements to exterior wi-fi and lighting.
17. No progress made on a plan for metering parking freeing up spaces taken up by commuters. Signage is also deficient as currently does not prohibit extra-large vehicles like RVs. The RV people have been sleeping in their vehicles and dumping sewage in the parking lot. The plan is to prohibit vehicles over 21 feet and RV's and new signage should be installed in late February or early March.
18. Parkman retired in November and his spot is currently filled by two temps. Tracy Summers is the Marina Business Manager and Tom Anderson manages field operations as the Marina Associate Harbor Master, with one custodian and one maintenance worker.

Harbor Fund and Accounting – no update other than that the harbor is current on the CalBoating loan. This seemed counter-intuitive to participants in the meeting, given the cost overruns on the dredging and low occupancy in East Harbor. There was some concern that some of the “occupancy” is from people who have taken boats out for trips or maintenance and are obtaining a discount on their slips while away. Harbormaster stated that he can then rent out the slips to transients, and that many of these people do not claim the discount.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM