

**East Chicago Port Authority Board of Directors - Board Meeting**

**Marina Social Center – Wednesday, September 18, 2019 @ 5:00 p.m.**

Port Authority President Marino Solorio called the meeting of the East Chicago Port Authority Board of Directors to order at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 18, 2019. Ateria Allen took roll call. Following in attendance unless otherwise noted:

<b>BOARD MEMBERS</b>	<b>STAFF</b>
Marino Solorio, President	
Frank Kresich, Vice President	
Ronald Squok, Secretary	
Mick Montrose	
Steve Flowers	Natalie Adams, Marina General Manager

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Rick Cleveringa, Cathy Sellers, Bob Gard, Rose Alexander, Tiffany Kasich and Milan Kasich

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

Ron Squok moved to approve meeting minutes for August 21, 2019 (second by Steve Flowers). All ayes, motion carries.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**CLAIM WARRANT APPROVAL**

Frank Kresich moved to approve claim warrant A and B (second by Ron Squok). All ayes, motion carries.  
A. 090619MA for \$201.98  
B. 091819MA for \$28,941.45

**PAYROLL DOCKET APPROVAL**

Frank Kresich moved to approve payroll docket A, B, and C (second by Mick Montrose). All ayes, motion carries.  
A. Checks dated 082319 for \$13,068.66  
B. Checks dated 083019 for \$4,200.00  
C. Checks dated 090619 for \$13,054.64

**OVER 60 DAYS PAST DUE INVOICE(S)**

Ron Squok moved to approve payment of past due invoice. (Second by Steve Flowers). All ayes, motion carries.  
A. Andrew McCann - Invoice # IN000190785 for the amount of \$378.40

## **PROPOSAL APPROVAL FOR ATN TECHNOLOGY**

Frank Kresich moved to approve the cost proposal for ATN Technology for the amount of 9,982.00 to supply material and labor to pull new fire alarm cable terminate and test systems (Second by Mick Montrose). All ayes, motion carries.

## **AGREEMENT- ORKIN PEST CONTROL**

Ron Squok moved to approve the agreement with Orkin Pest Control and the East Chicago Marina for periodic treatment to help control/ combat pest.

## **CONTRACT -2019 WINTER STORAGE CONTRACT**

Ron Squok moved to approve the terms, conditions and pricing for boat storage for the upcoming 2019 winter season.

## **OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**EXECUTIVE REPORT:** Natalie states that the painting of the building and railings has begun. The wood pier and the fence should be starting before the snowfall. On November 3<sup>rd</sup> the attorneys will give a two week notice to the abandon boats owners before they are placed on an online auction site. They will start moving these identified boats away from the other boats just in case they need to be destroyed. Natalie states that she is pushing for the parking lot to get done for next year. Natalie addresses an email that was sent in by one of the boaters regarding accusations against one of the management members of the new security firm that the Marina is currently using. Natalie states that this information was passed on to the chief of police which conducted an investigation on this matter. It was concluded that these were bogus charges. The case has been dismissed and all charges were dropped. Therefore the Federal Protection Agency will continue to be the security firm used at the Marina. Natalie states that the city is upgrading their website and all forms and documents that the marina provides can be found on the website once it goes live.

## **CORRESPONDENCE: NONE**

**REMARKS/ PUBLIC COMMENT:** Cathy Sellers states that one of the boats docked at the marina was broken into by a member of the security staff. This situation has caused great concern for the boaters. Natalie states that she was aware of the situation but it was not identified as a break in. That particular staff member will not be back to secure the marina. Cathy also states concern for the ID checks that are being done. Natalie states that this is for security purpose and that the security firm is building a database. They are trying things out and it may or may not be used for the 2020 boating season. She will talk to the company about the constant taking pictures of the ID because she was told that this would be a one-time thing. Milan Kasich speaks about an incident that happened when he was told by the security team that the beach was closed due to the Mexican Independence event that was being

held at the Lake front. Natalie states that the Marina doesn't own the beach so therefore they can't close the beach. She spoke with the company and told them that they can't close the beach. They can deny access to the beach but can never close the beach unless something drastic is happening. The only purpose for them denying access to the beach from the festival attendees are because alcohol is being served and alcohol is not allowed on the beach. Sometime in October Natalie will meet with the security firm to address concern and guest passes.

**NEXT MEETING:** October 16, 2019 @ 5:00 p.m.

**Frank Kresich moved to adjourn (second by Ron Squok ). All ayes, Meeting adjourned**