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MINUTES OF
MISSISSIPPI GULF FISHING BANKS, INC.
BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI

May 8, 2014

ATTENDANCE:

Ralph Humphrey, President
Secretary
Alva Bennett
Bert Eisbrenner
Mark Miller
Tom Becker
Craig Gusa
Keith Goodfellow
David Andrews

Darlene West,

Justin Averitt
Jay Trochesset
Kenny Barhanovich
Diane Becker
Jimmy Taylor
Tim Knighten

The meeting of May 8, 2014 was called to order by Ralph Humphrey, President.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Copies of the financial statement were distributed and reviewed by the members. A motion was made to accept the financial statement as is by Tom Becker. Motion was seconded and carried upon vote.

MINUTES

Copies of the minutes were distributed and reviewed by the members. A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes by Craig Gusa. Motion was seconded and carried upon vote.

EVA systems

Derrick Charbonnet was not present at the meeting. Nothing new was presented.

STIMULUS MONEY

Ralph Humphrey told the members that he and Mark were involved in a telephone conference a few weeks ago with Andrew Hinkebein and a couple of other people and that they were going to try to assist the MGFB in coming up with a grant proposal for BP to try to get some funding. Mr.

Humphrey stated that he talked to Andrew at the meeting Tuesday, that Andrews now is working for Jamie Miller and has a conflict of interest but that he was going to try to help us. Mr. Humphrey stated also that Johnny Marquez is also someone that may be able to lend some help. Mr. Humphrey said the bottom line is we need assistance in drawing up a grant proposal.

FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT

Ralph Humphrey said he is still looking into the information regarding crowd sourcing and fundraising. So this will be tabled until the next meeting.

GULF COUNCIL MEETING

Ralph Humphrey stated that the DMR hosted the Snapper Summit on Tuesday and there were half a dozen MGF B members there and it looks like the State of Mississippi is going to try to get a little proactive in managing snapper resources and identify what's being caught and what's not and who's fishing for them and who's not. Mr. Humphrey said he told Jamie Miller that anything that MGF B can do to help that we would.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR SPOTTER BOATS

Ralph Humphrey sent an email to Jimmy Saunders of the DMR requesting to be reimbursed for our spotter boat activity since federal regulations require us to be onsite with the permits when they dump and when they're refurbishing the reefs. Mr. Humphrey also stated in addition he asked DMR to strongly consider reimbursing us for our monthly observation reports that we take. Mr. Humphrey said hopefully he will have some news regarding this by the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

DIVE REPORT

There was no dive report this month.

NEW MEMBERS

New members Bert Eisbrenner and Justin Averitt were introduced.

DRAWDOWN

Darlene West went over the receipts and information for the Drawdown. Ms. West is waiting on further checks to clear so that the DD account can be closed.

T-SHIRT SALES

Jimmy Taylor said he would check with Bobby Carter to see if we could perhaps set up a booth to sell T-shirts at the Billfish Classic the first weekend in June. Ms. West said she will send Mr. Taylor a follow-up email to remind him.

Motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded and carried upon vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

President

Secretary