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

September 11th, 2014

ATTENDANCE:

Ralph Humphrey, President
Secretary
Alva Bennett
Kenny Barhanovich
Mark Miller
Jimmy Sanders
David Andrews
Charbonnet
Robert Fishman
Michael Mann

Darlene West,

Tim Knighten
Tom Becker
Andrew Hinkebein
Craig Gusa
Derrick

Lee Trahan

The meeting of September 11th, 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 by Lee Trahan. 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 Lee Trahan. Motion was seconded and carried upon vote.

EVA systems

Ralph Humphrey informed the members he had received several emails concerning EVA and asked Derrick Charbonnet to bring everyone up to date. Mr. Charbonnet stated that we needed a sample that Penny can analyze to match with other samples. Mark Miller said he had a sample from out in the gulf after a dump but that he was still waiting on someone to get him another sample. Mr. Humphrey asked about the outstanding check to Penny. Mark Miller said we didn't see a need to

cancel the check. Mr. Miller stated that Penny is going to redo the invoice. Mr. Charbonnet said Penny is waiting on us to send her a sample that she can look at.

STIMULUS MONEY

Jay Trochesset was not present for the meeting. There was nothing new presented.

FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT AND CROWD SOURCING

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

SNAPPER SEASON

Ralph Humphrey said he was at the commission meeting last month and they decided to put off until this month on whether or not to allow the state to open up a fall season for snapper. Mr. Humphrey asked Andrew Hinkebein if he had anything to add. Mr. Hinkebein said he knew it was going to be discussed at the meeting.

CHARGING FEES FOR DUMPING ON MGFBS SITES

Since the DMR was present, Ralph Humphrey went over our recent discussions to charge dumping fees for our sites and also our activity with the Coast Guard involving marking our reef sites. Mr. Humphrey said we're in the process right now of getting a waiver to the requirement to doing our buoys. Jimmy Taylor

JACKSON COUNTY FUNDING

Ralph Humphrey he has not yet wrote a letter to Jackson County about possible funding. Mr. Humphrey said he has been taking care of the Tideland Grants. so this topic would be tabled for now.

68 FOOT STEEL HULL BOAT

Tim Knighten said that the sale of the boat fell through and the project is still doable. Mr. Knighten said as of right now the man is going to repair it and shrimp it but that if he had to guess he'll get aggravated and be ready to sell it again. Mr.

Humphrey said we'll keep it in mind. Jimmy Taylor said if we can get it outside Pascagoula channel when it's ready he has a means to tow it for free to a site. Mark Miller said we talked about that but nobody wanted

the liability. Mr. Knighten said if it comes up again he'll see if the guy would just tow it out for us.

LAWSUIT

Kenny Barhanovich said he hasn't talked to Steve Mullins in a couple of weeks but that Mr. Mullins is waiting to see what Alabama does.

GCRL MEETING

Ralph Humphrey said he talked to Reed Hendon about the deployment of the monitors and that we needed to charge \$1500 for the outlying sites. Mr. Humphrey said Mr. Hendon said that wasn't a problem and he would write it into his proposal and that was about a month ago.

NEW BUSINESS

DIVE REPORT

Mark Miller presented his dive report to the members. A copy was submitted for the minutes.

JUVENILE RED SNAPPER PROJECT

Jimmy Sanders said they got a winning bid on the project and were going to put the snapper out on some sites. Mr. Sanders said they had a guy from Mississippi State in the master's program come down and the DMR was going to use his studies on the best effective way to deploy material to improve juveniles growth. Mr. Sanders said he would work out the details with Mark Miller.

Mr. Sanders said the DMR is getting their ducks in a row and they're trying to get some stuff off the staging site. Mr. Sanders said he's hoping within the next week or two he can get everything lined up and start putting out bids.

MGFB'S LISTING WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Derrick Charbonnet said in response to Tim Knighten's email about all the ways we do keep a presence and how the USCG should have been able to find us that he went to the MS Secretary of State's office on the web and did a search. Mr. Charbonnet said we are listed under Miss Gulf Fishing Banks, listed in good standing, but the last records uploaded were in 1984. Mr. Charbonnet recommended that we get a fictitious name certificate for MGFB for \$25.00. David Andrews made a motion for Mr.

Charbonnet to follow up on this project and that we reimburse to him any monies incurred. Motion was seconded and carried upon vote. Craig Gusa made a motion that the secretary, Darlene West, be the registered agent for the MGFB. Motion was seconded and carried upon vote. Derrick Charbonnet said he would take care of all the paperwork on the SOS's website.

Since Derrick Charbonnet has accepted a job overseas and will be gone every other month, Mark Miller made the motion for David Andrews to replace Derrick Charbonnet on the board. The motion was seconded and carried upon vote.

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

President

Secretary