

CASCO BAY ISLAND TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF

January 28, 2010

Directors Present: Moreau, Flynn, Doane, Johnston, Overlock, Peretti, Hoppin, Alves, Bonebakker, Hoffner, Crowley

Directors Absent: Donoghue

Others Present: Mac McKone, Jim Phipps, Peggy Peretti

Staff Present: Berg, Mavodones, Sawtelle, Gildart, Horr

1. Call to Order: The Board meeting was called to order by President Flynn at 7:45 a.m.
2. Approve Minutes of December 17, 2009 Board of Directors Meeting: Overlock moved, Bonebakker seconded and the vote was unanimous to accept the minutes of the December 17, 2009 Board of Directors meeting.
3. Approve Minutes of the December 29, 2009 Board of Directors Meeting: Bonebakker moved, Peretti seconded and the vote was unanimous to accept the minutes of the December 29, 2009 Board of Directors meeting.
4. Treasurer's Report: Overlock reviewed the December financial statements noting that there was nothing unusual and the numbers remain positive. He also reported that the auditor will be attending the next Finance Committee meeting.
5. General Information Reports:

a. President's Report: Board President Flynn handed out the CBITD Board Committee assignments for 2010

b. Committee Reports:

Operations Committee Chair Dan Doane reported that Diamond Cove is asking for an additional morning boat during the summer 2010 sailing schedule, this will be on the agenda at the February Board Meeting. Cliff Island is also asking for an extension of the summer morning boat through the fall schedule. The committee also discussed uniforms and making the crew more identifiable. The committee also received an e-mail from an islander commending the crew for their hard work.

Sales and Marketing Chair Scott Johnston reminded folks about the upcoming inter-island cruise, mentioned a possible collaboration with AAA, and reviewed the proposal for purchasing new retail items.

Government Relations Committee Chair Chris Hoppin is getting information on what has transpired in the past and developing a plan for moving forward. At this point the Government Relations Committee is planning on a March meeting.

c. Staff Reports: The Operations Update is included in the Board package.

d. Wharfs and other DOT report: Sue Moreau reported that MDOT is putting together their financial package which includes money for Little Diamond and Great Diamond. She also stated that the new boat should go out to bid in February.

6. Public Comment: Jim Phipps encouraged the board to be proactive in soliciting public involvement. Mac McKone supported the comments from Jim Phipps

6. Business:

a. Executive Session: Discussion with counsel on terms of the District's lease with the City of Portland pursuant to 1.M.R.S.A. sec 406 (6)(c) and (e): Agenda 6F is tabled until the next Board meeting.

b. Consideration and action on whether the Board meetings should be recorded using a tape recorder: Frank Peretti would like the Board to consider recording the meetings. President

Flynn stated the recoding would be used as back up to hand written minutes. Nick Mavodones priced out audio recorders and they ranged from \$200-\$400. Matt Hoffner asked if the minutes needed to be transcribed and why they could not be posted as an audio file on the Casco Bay Lines website. Dave Crowley stated that the transcriber could use the recording to confirm the minutes. Mac McKone didn't think that recording the meetings was a good idea because people's opinions might be stifled. Jim Phipps made the point that he had not heard a motion. Peretti moved to resolve to record the meetings and approve the purchase of an audio recording device and the have the minutes posted in an audio file to the CBL website. Hoppin seconded and the motion went to board discussion. Overlock disagreed with recording the meetings. Crolwey stated recording the meetings would mean being transparent in light of the PUC proceedings. Scott Johnston would like the meeting recorded but not necessarily available online. The motion was opened to public comment. Peggy Peretti doesn't think people are bashful and if they are respected that will take the time and effort to attend the meetings. Jim Phipps supported making meetings more accessible but worried that electronic media can be distorted. Dan Doane wondered if board members will have to identify themselves before they speak. Johnston moved to table the motion on the floor, Overlock seconded and the vote was 6 in favor (Alves, Johnston, Overlock, Flynn, Doane, and Hoffner), 4 opposed (Moreau, Peretti, Crowley, and Hoppin), and 1 abstained (Bonebakker). Bonebakker moved and Crowley seconded to direct staff to acquire recording equipment and to record meetings. Boenbakker called to question and the vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

7. New Business: There was no new business

8. Workshop: There were no workshop items

9. General Announcements:

a. Scheduled meetings:

Sales and Marketing: Wednesday February 3rd at 7:45 a.m.

Personnel Committee: Wednesday February 3rd (following sales committee-approx 9 a.m.)

Executive Committee: Thursday February 4th at 7:45 a.m.

Rate Structure: Thursday February 4th at 8:00 a.m.

Operations Committee: Thursday February 11th at 7:45 a.m.

Finance Committee, Wednesday February 24th at 7:45 a.m.

Board of Directors: Thursday February 25th at 7:45 a.m.

b. Correspondence: None

10. Adjournment: Doane made a motion to adjourn, Crowley seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by: _____

Dan Doane, Clerk