

# ORLEANS MARINA TENANTS ASSOCIATION

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## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MINUTES

JULY 29, 2008

### Board Members in Attendance:

Robert Garrity, Jr.	Warner Tureaud
Richard McGinty	Michael Liebaert
Lance Ostendorf	Rolla Tichenor
Ed Young	Annie Schroeder

President Robert Garrity introduced Mr. Capo and Mr. Dixon to the audience and invited them to say a few words.

Lewis Capo reported the following and answered questions from the floor:

- Flood wall is going to be replaced but with not loss of parking places
- Harbormaster building is under renovation
- New lease offers some new advantages to tenants:
  - Lease will automatically renew
  - Tenants can transfer lease with the sale of their boat, with Orleans Marina approval
  - Tenants can make modifications to their slips, with Orleans Marina approval
  - Lease continues to allow live-aboards

Chuck Dixon, the new Harbormaster, reported the following and took questions from the floor:

The marina now has:

- 1500 feet of new decking,
- 50 new cleats
- 9 new dock boxes
- 6 new fire extinguishers—providing 2 per pier
- All lights are up and running and they are in the process of replacing pier lighting
- Security from 7p until 7 a daily

Robert Garrity reviewed the

#### 1. Accomplishments of OMTA to include:

- Better working relationship with management and as a result many of the improvements announced by Mr. Capo and Mr. Dixon were the direct result of monthly meetings and mutual cooperation.
- Storm rope
- Resolved grievances
- Developed grievance procedure

#### 2. Goals of OMTA to include:

- Quarterly newsletter
- Fundraiser/membership drive
- Free Wi-Fi for OMTA members
- Keep lease payments in line and under control
- Piling stabilization
- Review electrolysis issues

The floor was opened up for discuss. The following were issues that surfaced:

- Magnetic swipe card for oil station and ice machine
- OMTA to develop purchase power—fuel—West Marine etc
- OMTA to build a network of support and to exchange resources
- Use the website for a place to buy & sell (Lee Longstreet said that was currently available)
- Having the Harbormaster office open on Saturdays
- Providing closed circuit video for additional security

Michael Liebaert gave an overview of his upcoming “Tying Up for the Storm” seminar to be schedule for August. There was much interest and many questions from the audience.

The meeting was adjourned.

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