

**Homer Marine Trades Association
Regular Business Meeting
January 4, 2022
Bay Welding**

The meeting was called to order by President, Aaron Fleenor at 6:05 p.m.

Officers/Directors present: Aaron Fleenor, Eric Engebresen, Cinda Martin, Bruce Friend, Kate Mitchell, Matt Alward, Jen Hakala and Mark Zeiset. Claire Neaton and Josh Hankin-Foley were excused. A quorum was established.

Agenda Approval: Motion by Eric Engebretsen to approve the Agenda as presented, 2nd and carried

Minutes: Motion by Matt Alward to approve the minutes of the December 8th meeting as written 2nd and carried.

Guests present: Tad Russell of UCIDA

Guest Presentation: Tad Rusell of UCIDA; UCIDA is filing suit against Fisheries Service to overturn a decision to close the area Anchor Point south across the Inlet to Calgin Island to commercial fishing due to a lack of co-management plan between the State and Feds. Decision will have an enormous impact on the Homer area. UCIDA invites HMTA to join in Resolution to support suit as a Friend of the Court.

Motion by Matt Alward to review the final Resolution to support UCIDA's law suit, as proposed by the City of Homer, for further action, 2nd and carried.

Treasurer's Report – Jen Hakala reported that there is \$20,596 in the checking account with membership dues continuing to come in. The Tidebook invoice and Anchorage Boat Show invoice have been paid; Fish Expo payment is due at the end of January.

Committee Reports:

- Advertising -
 - Tidebooks – are available for distribution
 - Social Media – Jen has access to the FB account and is looking for content
 - Meeting – tentative date 1/18, will invite Grady to give an update
- Workforce Development –
 - HHS – Aaron reported that Walter is still employed at the HHS and he is willing to be the liaison; ready to go with FOLs – Cinda will get a sign up list out to the membership; Mark will take next Wednesday
 - KPC/Bay Weld – Eric reported that they are now certified to sign off on certain course certifications; they are still working with the college on a collaboration for future courses
- Website – no report

Old Business:

- Anchorage Boat Show – Bruce reported that he has sold 9 spaces so far including the Chamber, one space is left; will result in \$1350 in net profit.

- Banner – we will use the banner from PME and notify the advertisers of a discount; a new foam core banner can be produced with our new logo

New Business:

- PME 2022 – same booth reserved for next year; would like to start recruiting participants and advertisers early.
- Radio Ad for Summer Season – Suggestion to highlight KPC courses
- HHS Banner – Aaron reported that the HHS banner is outdated, suggestion to create a new one emphasizing our efforts in Workforce Development

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 8th at NOMAR (new breakroom) at 6pm.

Adjourn: There being no further business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cinda Martin, Secretary