## Regular Meeting Colington Harbour Association, Inc. Board of Directors January 27, 2009

The following Board Members were present: Chairperson Stephanie Coleman, President Frank Hendricks, Vice President Don Brady, Secretary/Treasurer Sherry Smalley, Members at Large Bill Combs, George Litwin and Keith Smaltz. Also present Community Manager Carol Hopkins.

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stephanie Coleman at 7:01 PM. A moment of silence was observed. Stephanie advised the members present the course of action the Board took to solicit filling the position of Community Manager and the interviewing process that took place. Carol was welcomed as the new Manager.

Frank advised that he is working with Dominion Power to obtain electric for the Marina piers.

Stephanie asked for a motion to accept the Minutes of the November meeting, motion was made and accepted,

The Community Manager, Carol Hopkins gave an overview of the recent activities within the Harbour. A) She advised the Board that 10 % of the contract price was withheld from the recent payment to RPC in an effort to have the deficiencies corrected to the paving project on Colington Drive. A meeting has been set up with RPC to discuss same. B) The contractor that was awarded the finger pier project at the Marina recently delivered the pilings and they were not the ones specified in the original bid. C) We are in the process of obtaining bids for having a Reserve Study done for the Association. D) Spoke with a representative of NC State regarding repayment for last year dredging project for the Harbour and was advised that our new governor hasn't released any funds yet and they are considering moving money from the State's Capital fund to accommodate Grants. E) Spoke to gentleman with NC Wildlife Resources and they are willing to sponsor a boater safety course at the Clubhouse at no charge to us. F) Penny is in the process of purchasing additional software for the Newsletter publication and the Website. G) We are changing the internet service in an effort to save the Association money by bundling the phone and internet service. There will also be a need to purchase additional computers for the maintenance shop and Guard Gate.

Stephanie called for Committee Reports. Sherry reported from the Architectural Committee on the permits approved: 307 Soundview Drive (THE REST OF THIS SECTION WAS NOT AUDIBLE ON THE TAPE TO RECORD-PLEASE PROVIDE)

Discussion took place as to whose terms were expiring on the Board. The Board thought there were 3 positions coming up for 2009 and they are Bill, Keith and George.

There was not a Community Watch report since Jerry Raveling was not in attendance. Frank mentioned that a number of mail boxes along Colington Road had been destroyed recently and that the culprits have been caught according to the Sheriff.

Old Business: A) Bill Combs advised that he has been unsuccessful in finding out if the bike/multi use path along Colington Road is even on the Grant money list from Dare County. B) Jim Soles asked the Board in November to consider purchasing 218 Rhodoms Drive which sits on 4 lots and is an Estate sale. After much discussion the Board doesn't have enough information for consideration to turn this into a recreational area for the Harbour.

Stephanie then opened the meeting to the residents present and asked them to state their names. They were Bill Froehlich, Bill Froehlich, Sr., Pat Froehlich and Chris Mull. Bill Froehlich spoke to the Board regarding the Finger Pier project he had been awarded and challenged the Board regarding the 8" tip pilings that were in the specifications versus the 8" butt pilings that he had purchased. Bill Combs brought up the study done by the Army Core of Engineers done approximately 18 years ago which stated that an 8" tip piling has a service life of approximately 35 years and an 8" butt piling has a service life of approximately 20 years. Bill Froehlich wanted to know who wrote the bid specifications and he was advised that Chris Cox wrote the specs. Additional discussion ensued with Bill and the Board. Bill Froehlich stated that he bided on 8" butt pilings and he believes that his proposal was about \$5,000 less than the other bid received. He asked the Board since it was engineer approved to use the 8" butt pilings he could save the association money. Carol mentioned that the engineer's approval Bill Froehlich submitted had a hand written note that stated butt on the CAD drawing that was apparently added after the approval was obtained. Bill stated that if the Board wanted 8" tip pilings that his cost would increase by \$ 4,000 or he would have to rescind his bid. Bill Combs and Stephanie Coleman stated that they would not vote on the matter for any perceived conflict of interest. The Board's goal was to have the same service life on these piers. Keith stated that if an owner requests certain standards, that's what a contractor should have bided on. George challenged Bill's comment about how and what he bided on. Bill Froehlich stated it was a "glitch" in what he read on the construction bid and that he would be unable to do the work for the contract price he quoted and he would have to rescind his bid if that was what the Board wanted. Stephanie advised Bill Froehlich that the Board would discuss this matter and get back to him.

Keith made a Motion to adjourn the meeting; the Motion was seconded and passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully/submitted,

Carol Hopkins, CPM ®

Community Manager - Acting as Recorder for this Board meeting