

## TMTA September 27, 2016 Membership Meeting Norfolk Sheraton Meeting called to order at 6:10pm

Meeting called to order at 6:10pm by TMTA President Frank Borum who gave opening remarks and initiated a prayer and pledge of allegiance.

Frank makes some announcements about upcoming events for the VMA

- BayFest, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Norfolk Yacht Club, register online
- Workforce development event on November 16<sup>th</sup> at Virginia Wesleyan College.

We will be submitting our slate of officers next month, but if anyone is interested in serving on the board, please see Frank.

Guests were instructed to start dinner and network at their respective table.

A treasurer's report was given by Nicole Sapienza.

- Dinner Report for June Profit \$98.17
- Dinner Report for August Loss \$646.50 particularly contributed to \$1003.80 lawyer invoice for the year
- Total Bank Balance \$12661.69
- \$1300 total still out in collections

Went around the room introducing ourselves since we have new members and it has been 3 months since we had a membership meeting.

Frank thanks our guests from EcoLogix, VMA, POV and our speaker, Captain Bill Cofer.

EcoLogix, the consultant working on the Go Green Campaign discusses that program. This project continues to have multiple year funding, which makes it a great initiative. Susan Stevenson explained the funding cycle of her project, how it works when deployed. You can go online at greenoperator.org and submit an application. All ports of VA are partners in this program.

Meeting minutes created by Robin Hobson

After an introduction by Frank, Capt. Cofer, President of the Pilot Association, takes the stage for his presentation. The Pilots are celebrating their 150<sup>th</sup> year. Captain Cofer explains what the Pilot Association is and how it benefits the port. He gives the membership an update on the strengths of the Port of VA, how it is well positioned to become the main port of the East Coast in the next few years and how it is the only port on the East Coast that can handle the MegaShips hitting our ports now.

Art Moye announced some VMA events upcoming including the VMA football day with ODU on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Sponsorships are available along with discounted tickets if anyone is interested.

Vance Griffin from POV gives an update on the projects at the Ports.

Next meeting October 25<sup>th</sup>, details to be announced soon. December 8<sup>th</sup> is the holiday social.

7:50pm Meeting adjourned.