

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of AFON TEIFI FAIRWAYS LIMITED

Monday 4th March 2019 6.30pm, registered office

Present: Nigel Smith (Chairman) (NS), Paul Oakley (PO), Tony Bailey (TBai), Len James (LJ), Tony Barber (TBar), Helen Rowlands (admin) (HR)

CCC = Ceredigion County Council

1. Apologies	Accepted from Jim Marsden	
2. Minutes of last meeting (7 January 2019) and Matters Arising	<p>There were no corrections and the minutes were proposed by LJ, seconded by TBai and signed by the Chairman.</p> <p><i>Matters Arising</i></p> <p>PO gave an update on Mr Marsden's health, reporting that he was now undertaking some small ATFL jobs.</p> <p>3. CONTAINER – J Marsden had been in touch with A Davies of CCC regarding removal of the container, the pontoon lights, and the condition of Prince Charles Quay.</p> <p>3. TIDE TABLES – PO had contacted Cliff Bates, who would be in touch for the 2020 tables. A page of information needed to be prepared for then.</p> <p>3. ST DOGMAELS ANCHOR – This has been removed</p> <p>3. SUNKEN VESSEL – This has been dealt with</p>	
3.	A letter had been received from the ATFL solicitor (copy in the minute book) stating that no response had been received from Mr and she would now apply to the judge for an "Order in our favour in default".	
4. Paid up Mooring, and action over Fines	<p>PO reported that 110 mooring were paid up to date, with 43 to come. There were 2 new applications.</p> <p>All agreed that the fine for late payment would be £30.</p>	
5.	<p>A letter had been received from Mr (copy in the minute book), explaining his circumstances. PO has spoken to him twice. The Board had concerns over the vessel No mooring fee was likely to be paid and PO could foresee problems for ATFL.</p> <p>PO suggested reporting the situation to Pembrokeshire County Council, and NS undertook to speak to Cllr Mike James concerning the matter.</p>	NS
6. Mooring rectification on the river	LJ has cleared and re-sited 15 mooring, with 13 still to go. is assisting with this and it was agreed he would get a free mooring in lieu.	
7. Patrol Boat Status	<p>TBai has agreed that his rib be used as patrol boat this year and has requested a contract to confirm the details. This, and the sum of £900, was agreed and Mr Bailey and the Chairman signed the papers (copy in the minute book).</p> <p>Another boat, owned by PO, had Patrol Boat signage too and could be used if necessary.</p>	
8. Conflict of Interest warning	<p>PO had concerns over issues of a Conflict of Interest for Directors when discussing issues ie mooring fees increase for commercial vessels.</p> <p>It was agreed that care should be taken to acknowledge any conflict, restricting voting where necessary, yet to allow full discussion and representation.</p>	

	<p>Item 13 was discussed here.</p> <p>There was discussion on the amendment/correction of Minutes, and when this should take place. It was agreed that HR must get the minutes distributed within 7 days, and that amendments/corrections would be agreed by the Board at the following meeting.</p>	HR
9. Fairway Buoys replacements & reinstatement	<p>PO reported that recent storms had 'taken out' the buoys. Initially there were 13 and all of the budget of £2500 would be needed to replace these, both 'top hats' and 'pipes'</p> <p>PO declared a conflict of interest here.</p> <p>There was discussion on the best sinkers to use and the fact that some small buoys marked previous positions that could be used again.</p> <p>It was noted that the visiting vessel VILMA was scheduled to arrive on 9th April and the buoys must be in place by then.</p> <p>PO would make contact with Cllr Clive Davies for updates on the VILMA</p>	PO
10. Erosion of the Spit	<p>It was noted that storms have severely affected the spit and pushed a lot of material into the channel towards the pontoon. PO pointed out that £5000 was budgeted for such work, but this one item could easily use that up. PO and JM have suggested leaving any work until the end of April. Clearing the area by the end of the spit would be a priority.</p> <p>There was discussion on the appropriate marking of the spit end. PO would look into Cardinal marks. There was discussion on the water depth in the channel, and TBar would report back when he has been out in his boat.</p>	TBar
11. Pontoons Maintenance & responsibility	<p>The Board noted that it is the ATFL remit to report pontoon issues to the relevant County Councils, not to maintain them. JM will remind A Davies at CCC of current issues.</p> <p>TBar had recently spoken to A Davies and pointed out the problem with the moving moorings on the Patch pontoon. Mr Davies acknowledged that it was their responsibility and they would have to do work if necessary. The Board felt it should be inspected by CCC.</p> <p>PO reported that the buoy at Prince Charles Quay had been replaced, but the missing plank and a power wash were still required. TBar will email and chase A Davies and CCC to do the work.</p>	TBar
12.	<p>The owner of this vessel is deceased and his widow has made it over to PO. PO has insured for now but it was agreed that the total wreck should be dealt with. It was agreed to try and take it to the 'trots' on the beach.</p> <p>The, has fallen over and flooded. The owner is working at correcting this.</p>	
13. Draft Minutes	Item dealt with under 8.	
14. Covering of J Marsden's duties	The Board sent best wishes to Mr Marsden. PO reported that he was managing the additional workload at present, but did point out that he himself would be in hospital at some point soon.	
15. Any Other Business	<p>It was understood that ATFL would not be involved with the Cardigan River & Food Festival this year.</p> <p>PO distributed documents explaining additional Directors' and Officers' insurance that had been recommended. The meeting agreed that this should be purchased for £112.</p>	
16. Date of next meeting	<p>The date of the 2019 AGM was set as Monday 20th May at 7pm at the Teifi Boating Club</p> <p>The next Board meeting would be Monday April 29th at 6.30</p>	