MINUTES

RFAB Meeting for Final Recommendations to the VMRC. November 12, 2002

Members Present

George Hudgins
Jesse Duell
Jim Deibler
Edward Rhodes
Carolyn Brown
Andy Ligon
Charles Randolph
Members Absent
Bob Bois
Parks Rountrey

At 7:05 Chairman George Hudgins called the meeting to order. Mr. Hudgins then asked Mr. Cory Routh to make any announcements and to give the status of the fund.

Mr. Routh stated that VMRC had estimated the revenues for October through December of 2002 would be about \$350,000, in reality the amount was \$500,000, which indicates an increase in license revenues. Mr. Routh said the in December 2002 there will be about \$685,000. Mr. Routh then stated than for the year 2003 that there will be approximately \$818,000 pre-allocated to several projects. Based on a 1.6 million projection for 2003, this will leave approximately \$700,000 for new projects in 2003.

Mr. Routh then asked for approval of the Minutes from the September 9, 2002 meeting. Corrections were made and a motion was made by Mr. Rhodes and seconded by Mr. Duell. The vote was unanimous to accept the minutes as corrected.

Mr. Hudgins then asked for final recommendations on the current project proposals.

Multi-Year Projects up for Renewal

A. 2003 Children's Fishing Clinic

B. 2003 Hampton Roads Kids Fishing Day

Mr. Rhodes made a motion to combine item A and B. Mr. Ligon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to combine item A and B for approval.

Mr. Rhodes made a motion to approve items A and B, Mr. Duell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to recommend items A and B for funding as requested.

C. 2003 Game Fish Tagging Program

Mr.Deibler made a motion to accept the program. Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion. Thw vote was unanimous to recommend the Tagging Program for funding as requested.

New Projects

D. Casting for Recovery.

PROJECT WAS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSIDERATION.

E. Oyster Boat Ramp.

Mr. Ligon made a motion to accept the project as requested. Mr. Deibler seconded the motion. Mr. Rhodes asked to make an amendment to the motion to fund \$90,000 of the requested \$120,000. Mr. Deibler agreed to the amendment. Ms. Brown seconded the amendment to the motion. The vote was unanimous to recommend funding of \$90,000.

F. Wishart's Point Landing.

Mr. Rhodes made a motion to fund \$25,000 of the requested \$240,000 for engineering and further planning of the project. Mr. Deibler seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to fund \$25,000 for architecture and engineering of the project.

G. 2002-2003 vessel services for the VMRC Artificial Reef Program.

Mr. Deibler made a motion to recommend the project for funding. Mr. Randolph seconded the motion. Mr. Rhodes asked to make an amendment to the motion to increase the amount from \$30,000 to \$46,100. Mr. Randolph seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to recommend the funding of \$46,100 to the reef program.

H. Little Island Fishing Pier Extension.

Mr. Ligon made a motion to defer this project to the next funding cycle. Mr. Randolph seconded the motion. The vote was 4 to 3 to defer this project until the next funding cycle. Mr. Hudgins, Mr. Deibler, and Mr. Rhodes opposed this motion.

I. Undercover Law Enforcement Vehicles for VMP.

Mr. Rhodes made a motion to fund \$40,000 of the requested amount of \$60,000. Mr. Randolph seconded the motion. Mr. Hudgins amended the motion to increase the recommended amount of \$40,000 to \$52,500 to help maintain a law enforcement presence on the water. The vote was unanimous to recommend funding of the amount of \$52,500.

J. Challenger Little League- Fishing and Marine Biology Education.

Mr. Ligon Made a motion to fund the program as requested. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to recommend funding for the requested amount of \$2,000.

K. CCA/Virginia Beach Oyster Project.

Mr. Ligon made a motion to defer the project until the next funding cycle. Mr. Randolph seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to defer this project until the next funding cycle.

L. Tale of the Striped Bass.

Mr. Deibler made a motion not to recommend this project for funding. Mr. Ligon seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous not to recommend this project for funding.

Mr. Routh then asked for acceptance of future dates for 2003 RFAB meetings. The board approved the following dates.

January 13 March 10 April 14 May 12

Mr. Hudgins adjourned the meeting at 8:40pm.