

**MEETING OF THE CORPORATE BOARD
OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF FLORIDA**

September 17, 2016

No. 7

A Meeting of the Corporate Board of Directors was called to order at 9:45 a.m. in the Grand Master's Office at the Masonic Home of Florida by M.:W.: Stanley L. Hudson, Grand Master, Chairman, with the following members present:

M.:W.: Stanley L. Hudson, Grand Master, Chairman
R.:W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master
R.:W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden
R.:W.: John W. Westerman, III, Junior Grand Warden
M.:W.: Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer
R.:W.: Douglas L. Ankeny, P.D.D.G.M.
M.:W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Secretary to the Board

Absent: M.:W.: James W. Ford, P.G.M. (Excused)

Also present:

R.:W.: Stephen R. Gladstone, General Counsel	R.:W.: Charles G. Calabritto, D.D.G.M. (16)
R.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, P.D.D.G.M.	R.:H.: Michael L. Elliott, P.D.I.
W.: Solomon M. Goldenberg, P.M.	R.:W.: Ronald E. Peebles, P.D.D.G.M.
R.:W.: Wallace T. Fine, P.D.D.G.M.	R.:W.: John Paniccia, P.D.D.G.M.
R.:W.: Edward J. Mayfield, Jr., P.D.D.G.M.	Brother Jay B. Kosner
R.:W.: J. Steven Teal, P.D.D.G.M.	R.:W.: Robert J. Lambert, P.D.D.G.M.
R.:W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, P.D.D.G.M.	R.:W.: Joseph A. Gonzalez, P.D.D.G.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by M.:W.: Stanley L. Hudson, Grand Master, and prayer was offered by R.:W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master. The Grand Master introduced the Members of the Board and others present.

A motion was made by R.:W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master, and seconded by R.:W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden, to approve the Minutes of Corporate Board Meeting No. 6 of August 27, 2016. Motion carried.

MASONIC HOME ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER

- We would like to recognize the 11th and 12th Masonic Districts for being here again today to put on one of the best events of the year for the residents. The Annual Luau has become a highlight with great food, music, dancing, and fellowship.
- The contract with Suncoast Kitchen Services, Inc., has been presented to our legal advisor for review prior to presenting it to the Grand Master for his approval. This service includes the installation of a new dishwasher at no cost with cleaning product purchases.
- The landscaping design for the large median with the new Masonic Home of Florida Sign has been received and submitted to the Board for review and input. A smaller Masonic Home Sign for the south entrance is currently in production.
- A revised Lodge Incentive Poster and cover letter is being sent to each Florida Lodge introducing the program which has been approved and scheduled for mailing during the week of October 3rd.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT – SEPTEMBER

1. A great deal of rain over the last four weeks has caused small leaks to develop in the roof systems of every building on the Masonic Home campus. These leaks have now been repaired and several windows have been resealed to address these problems.
2. We have also been plagued by several equipment breakdowns in the last month. A special water reducing pressure valve is currently being replaced and one of the boilers in the building is currently requiring repairs. A garbage disposal unit in the kitchen is now being replaced. Estimates on the new roof replacements will be available for the Board's review by the Long Range Planning Meeting next month; especially for the chiller deck roof which requires more immediate attention.
3. Dart Electronics Company and Professional Grounds Maintenance Company contracts are due for renewal in October. The contract with UniFirst Uniform is due for renewal in November.
4. Update on the Guest House Project: The renovation demolition phase of the project is 99% completed. Several structural cosmetic repairs to the infrastructure of the building have been located and are to be completed. The funds to cover these repairs are covered under previously budgeted contingency allotments.

R.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master, moved for acceptance of the Administrator's Report and the Long Range Planning Committee Report for September as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT – SEPTEMBER

During the month of September the Admissions Committee reviewed and approved one Masonic Home Application for admission to the Home, which is pending legal review. One Application for Emergency Relief was approved.

R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden, moved for acceptance of the Admissions Committee Report for the month of September as printed and distributed and the motion was seconded by R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Junior Grand Warden. Motion carried.

MASONIC HOME APPLICATIONS APPROVED BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING – AUGUST

During the month of August the following Masonic Home Applications were approved by the Board of Trustees for admission to the Masonic Home:

James Conardy, sponsored by Sanford Lodge No. 62
Raymond C. Wampole, sponsored by Star Lodge No. 78, pending clarification of financials and Grand Master's review

NON-RESIDENT RELIEF REPORT – AUGUST

During the month of August Non-Resident Relief Funds were distributed in the amount of \$390.45.

R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Junior Grand Warden, moved for the adoption of the Masonic Home Applications Approved by the Board of Trustees Report and the Non-Resident Relief Report for the month of August. Second was made by R.: W.: Douglas L. Ankeny, P.D.D.G.M., and the motion carried.

NEW ACCOUNT NUMBERS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

During the month of August the following new General Ledger Account Number was created:

ACCOUNT NO.	NAME:	ACCOUNT TYPE:
060 00-00 24725.001	Hartman, Larry (Cash)	Liability

R.: W.: Douglas L. Ankeny, P.D.D.G.M., moved for the adoption of the New Account Numbers Report for the month of August. Second was made by M.: W.: Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer, and the motion carried.

**CREDIT APPLICATIONS REPORT
GRAND LODGE AND MASONIC HOME OF FLORIDA FOR AUGUST**

During the month of August there were no credit applications received for the Grand Lodge Office or for the Masonic Home of Florida.

M.: W.: Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer, made a motion for the adoption of the Credit Applications Report for the month of August which was seconded by R.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master. Motion carried.

LIST OF ESTATE ACTIVITY FOR AUGUST

The Board then reviewed the List of Estate Activity for August. R.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master, moved for acceptance of the report for the month of August as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

**FUNDS RECEIVED FOR THE MASONIC HOME ENDOWMENT FUND, INC.
FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR THE MASONIC HOME BUILDING FUND**

The Board reviewed the funds received through the month of August for the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc. (\$97,966.92). The Board then reviewed the funds available for the Masonic Home Building Fund (\$227,190.11).

R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion for acceptance of the reports for the month of August which was seconded by R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

MASONIC RELIEF FUND – AUGUST

There were no donations to the Masonic Relief Fund to report for the month of August.

R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Junior Grand Warden, made a motion for acceptance of the report for August. Second was made by R.: W.: Douglas L. Ankeny, P.D.D.G.M., and the motion carried.

MASONIC HOME BUDGET REPORT – AUGUST

We are currently 3.7% under budget (\$295,921) for the fiscal year, after amortizing for the insurance premium already paid and after adjusting for the timing of the Guest House Project.

R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion for acceptance of the Masonic Home Budget Report for August as printed and distributed which was seconded by R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

The Grand Master recognized R.: W.: Stephen R. Gladstone for the following report:

REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

I. CONTRACT REVIEW/MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS:

General Counsel has reviewed various contracts forwarded by the Grand Secretary.

II. ESTATES:

General Counsel continues to monitor various open estates whose beneficiaries include Grand Lodge and/or the Masonic Home of Florida.

III. MASONIC HOME:

General Counsel has had the opportunity to review various contracts tendered by the Administrator of the Masonic Home as well as the Board of Trustees.

General Counsel has conducted the asset verifications and prepared Warranty Deeds, Wills, Durable Power of Attorneys, and spousal waivers, if applicable, for Cecile Miller and Raymond Wampole.

After discussion, R.:W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion to allow Mrs. Elizabeth Repp, sponsored by DeSoto Lodge No. 105, to be admitted to the Masonic Home under the Life Care Plan although a financial judgment has been filed against her for credit card debt. R.:W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master, seconded the motion which carried.

General Counsel then provided the Board with an update on the progress of the lawsuit filed by Walter Hammond against The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida and Albert J. Russell Lodge No. 126, F. & A.M. The mediation between both parties that was held on September 8, 2016, resulted in an impasse, therefore, the lawsuit will continue with the next item on the docket being a hearing to be held on October 3, 2016, whereby several motions by both the plaintiff and the defendant will be heard by the court. It was noted that if the Grand Lodge is not granted a stay on the proceedings or a summary judgment the case will move forward to trial scheduled for October 31, 2016. General Counsel also informed the Board that attorney fees previously paid by The Grand Lodge of Florida are in the process of being reimbursed by the insurance company.

R.:W.: Douglas L. Ankeny, P.D.D.G.M., moved for acceptance of the Report of the General Counsel as presented. Second was made by M.:W.: Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer, and the motion carried.

LIST OF PROPERTY ACTIVITY BY COUNTY – AUGUST

After a review of the List of Property Activity by County for the month of August, M.:W.: Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer, moved for the adoption of the report as distributed. Second was made by R.:W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master, and the motion carried.

The Grand Master called upon R.:W.: Wallace T. Fine, Chairman of the Properties Committee, to present the following report:

REPORT OF THE PROPERTIES COMMITTEE

- 1. Zone 1 Properties Committee Chairman W.: Kenneth E. Thorndyke**
The Blocker Property, a lot at 0000 Longhorn Trail, Gulf Breeze, FL
The property is listed for \$10,000.
- 2. Zone 3 Properties Committee Chairman Brother Nick D. Deonas**
Vacant Land, Starke, FL, owned by Masonic Charities of Florida, Inc.
The land is listed for \$625,000. The listing agreement is up for renewal.
- 3. Zone 5 Properties Committee Chairman R.:W.: Glenn A. Reynolds**
The Huff Property at 3342 Kittles Street, Mims, FL 32754
General Counsel is working on transferring the ownership of the property.
The Ellswich Property at 5415 Bannock Street, Micco, FL 32976
The property is listed for \$97,000. The realtor was contracted by the Ellswich's and will expire in September at which time we will get a different realtor as the listing price is too high. The property sold for \$75,000 before the sales contract expired.

4. **Zone 6 Properties Committee Chairman R.: W.: Reed Rue**
The Cantrell Property at 2511 Viny Court, Tampa, FL 33618
 The property is listed for \$299,000 and we closed for \$290,000.
5. **Zone 8 Properties Committee Chairman W.: Dana P. McGrath**
The DeFrenn Property at 13 Pinewood Blvd., Lehigh Acres, FL 33936
 There is a title problem and General Counsel is working on the issue.
The Shemela Vacant Lots 16 & 17 in Port Charlotte, FL
 The Zone Chairman is working on getting the property listed.
6. **Zone 9 Properties Committee Chairman W.: Albert O. Mazmanian**
The Rexford Time Share at Ocean Landings Resort & Racquet Club,
Unit D116, Week 34, Cocoa Beach, FL
 The Corporate Board voted to give the Time Share back to the Association or to any Brother.
The Phillips Mobile Home at 719 River Bay Drive, Tampa, FL 33619
 The Mobile Home was in very poor condition and the Board voted to sell it for \$2,000.

R.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master, made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Chairman of the Properties Committee to list the Shemela's two vacant lots located in Port Charlotte for \$7,000 per lot. M.: W.: Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer, seconded the motion which carried.

R.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master, moved for the adoption of the Properties Committee Report as presented and amended. Second was made by R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion to approve the contract with Affinity Marketing Associates for the program offering a Limited Edition Masonic 2016 Birthstone Ring to our membership which was seconded by R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Junior Grand Warden. Motion carried.

R.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master, made a motion to approve the contract with the DoubleTree Hotel in Jacksonville to hold a statewide seminar for Secretaries, Treasurers, and all Master Masons on December 9 and 10, 2016. R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden, seconded the motion which carried.

After the Grand Secretary explained a fundraising program whereby address labels would be mailed to the membership requesting a donation to the Masonic Charities of Florida, Inc., R.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master, made a motion to continue with implementing the fundraiser program. R.: W.: Douglas L. Ankeny, P.D.D.G.M., seconded the motion which carried.

There being no further business to come before the Corporate Board the meeting was closed at 10:33 a.m. Benediction was then offered by R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden.

Respectfully submitted:



Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M.
 Secretary to the Board

Approved:



Stanley L. Hudson
 Grand Master

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September 30, 2016

No. 8

At the request of the Grand Master, a poll of the Corporate Board of Directors was taken requesting the approval of a recommendation of the Chairman of the Properties Committee to list the Huff Property located at 3342 Kittles Street, Mims, FL 32754 for \$38,000. The members voted as follows:

M.: W.:	Stanley L. Hudson, Grand Master, Chairman	Yes
R.: W.:	Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master	Yes
R.: W.:	John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden	Yes
R.: W.:	John W. Westerman, III, Junior Grand Warden	Yes
M.: W.:	Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer	Yes
M.: W.:	James E. Ford, P.G.M.	Yes
R.: W.:	Douglas Ankeny, P.D.D.G.M.	Yes

Respectfully submitted:



Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M.
Secretary to the Board

Approved:



Stanley L. Hudson
Grand Master

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October 5, 2016

No. 9

At the request of the Grand Master, a poll of the Corporate Board of Directors was taken requesting the approval of a recommendation of the Chairman of the Properties Committee to reject an offer of \$9,400 and to make a counter offer to the buyer for the Shemela's two lots located at 2837 Howe Road (Lot 16) and 2800 Montgomery Drive (Lot 17) Port Charlotte, Florida, for \$12,000. The members voted as follows:

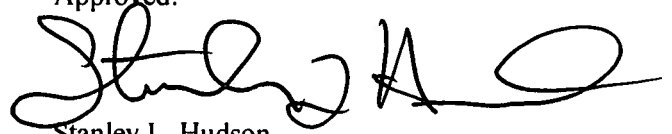
M.: W.:	Stanley L. Hudson, Grand Master, Chairman	Yes
R.: W.:	Richard G. Hoover, Deputy Grand Master	Yes
R.: W.:	John E. Karroum, Senior Grand Warden	Yes
R.: W.:	John W. Westerman, III, Junior Grand Warden	Yes
M.: W.:	Elmer G. Coffman, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer	Yes
M.: W.:	James E. Ford, P.G.M.	Yes
R.: W.:	Douglas Ankeny, P.D.D.G.M.	Yes

Respectfully submitted:



Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M.
Secretary to the Board

Approved:



Stanley L. Hudson
Grand Master