

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

May 30, 2021

No. 18

A Meeting of the Corporate Board of Directors was called to order at 2:24 p.m. at the Rosen Plaza Hotel in Orlando, Florida, by M.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Grand Master, Chairman, with the following members present:

M.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Grand Master, Chairman
R.:W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, Deputy Grand Master
R.:W.: Robert J. Lambert, Senior Grand Warden
R.:W.: Glen B. Bishop, Junior Grand Warden
R.:W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer
M.:W.: Steven P. Boring, P.G.M.
R.:W.: Jackie D. Arrington, P.D.D.G.M.

Absent: M.:W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Secretary to the Board (Excused)

Also Present:

R.:W.: Donald W. Cowart, P.D.D.G.M. R.:W.: Lawrence A. Williamson, P.D.D.G.M.
R.:W.: Michael S. Griffin, P.D.D.G.M. R.:W.: Michael S. Binder, P.D.D.G.M.
R.:W.: Kenneth E. Shaw, W.: Grand Sword Bearer R.:W.: Chester A. King, P.D.D.G.M.
R.:W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., W.: Junior Grand Deacon R.:W.: Glen L. Garner, P.D.D.G.M.
W.: Benjamin K. Stoesser, P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by M.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Grand Master, and prayer was offered by R.:W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, Deputy Grand Master.

A motion was made by R.:W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, Deputy Grand Master, and seconded by R.:W.: Robert J. Lambert, Senior Grand Warden, to approve the Minutes of Corporate Board Meeting No. 17 of April 17, 2021. Motion carried.

MASONIC HOME ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – MAY

Note: The following is an update and continuation to the report given at the April 17, 2021, meeting. Please refer to the April Corporate Board Minutes.

- The Masonic Home of Florida will offer a resource table during the Annual Grand Communication of The Grand Lodge of Florida. The Administrator and Admissions Director will be available to provide information regarding admissions, current residents, and any other questions which members may have.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT – MAY

The meeting of the Long Range Planning Committee was held by various phone conversations with committee members, detailed emails, as well as information and notes from Director Robertson. Listed below is a summary of what was discussed:

1. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection has sent a final letter dated May 5, 2021, stating the LSSI Program has met the standards required with the report by BTEX Engineering, Inc., and there is no further action required so this closes out this two-year process.
2. Director Robertson is still working on quotes for the dining room and laundry roofs and will follow up with the contractor for final tweaking for an approval before the next meeting to move forward with at least the laundry roof as it is more critical at this time than the dining room roof.

3. The new phone system is to move forward with Alpha Business Communications with the cost being \$19,923.77, but it was determined that new cabling and wiring will be added to this contract in the amount of \$13,275.19 bringing the total to \$33,198.96. This add on is necessary to enhance the advanced technology of our system for the future and our use.
4. We are evaluating other companies to come in and give us quotes for the remediation and determination of what is causing the existence of mold in some of the apartments. Once we have completed our investigation we hope to present a final report closing out this issue, but at this time it will continue to be under investigation.
5. Director Robertson is still working on securing companies to review the chillers/cooling towers project replacement and redesign for future discussion and planning to enhance our long term needs. This will be further discussed in our workshop as our budget has funds for emergency replacement at the present time.
6. Director Robertson is securing quotes for a fan replacement on the kitchen roof as the fresh air fan unit serving the cooking hoods is failing and requires continued maintenance. We hope to have quotes prior to the next meeting for approval.
7. Director Robertson will be reaching out for quotes soon for the replacement of the AHU #9 on the 3rd floor like the AHU #10 that we already replaced.
8. The elevator contract is coming up for renewal in August and we will be looking into a new company to service the existing elevators as the previous company has been bought out by a larger firm and we suspect the contracted price will be going up.

Nothing further was discussed and brought up for review at this time and our discussions were concluded until next month.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT – MAY

- A. Community restrictions remain in place due to COVID-19.
- B. Marketing:
 - i. Total of 71 residents; of which 24 are Private Pay with 10 non-Masonic, with 41 SNF and 30 ALF from the census breakdown report.
 - ii. Limited tours for visitors and guests are allowed to visit.
 - iii. BrandMETTLE marketing is moving forward and a workshop is conducted weekly.
- C. Follow-up with Greystone continues during our workshop.
- D. Discussion on renovations and “Consulting Services” continues during the workshop.
- E. Other:
 - i. Job Positions – A task force has been formed for the position of Administrator and Assistant Administrator.
 - ii. Job Positions – The hiring of a Director of Development is placed on hold.
 - iii. Study of the MHF Separation – planning continues during our workshop.

R.:W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, Deputy Grand Master, moved for acceptance of the Administrator’s Report, the Long Range Planning Committee Report, and the Operations Committee Report for May as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.:W.: Robert J. Lambert, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT – MAY

During the month of May, no applications were received for review by the Admissions Committee for admission to the Masonic Home. The following pending application was approved for admission to the Masonic Home: Richard Diekmann, sponsored by Acacia Lodge No. 163

There were no applications received by the committee requesting Non-Resident Relief or Emergency Relief. No Non-Resident Relief Funds were distributed in April of 2021.

R.:W.: Robert J. Lambert, Senior Grand Warden, moved for acceptance of the Admissions Committee Report for the month of May as printed and distributed and the motion was seconded by R.:W.: Glen B. Bishop, Junior Grand Warden. Motion carried.

**MASONIC HOME APPLICATIONS APPROVED
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING – APRIL**

During the month of April, there were no Masonic Home Applications approved by the Board of Trustees for admission to the Masonic Home. One application continues to be pending the receipt of further information.

NON-RESIDENT RELIEF REPORT – APRIL

During the month of April, no Non-Resident Relief Funds were distributed.

R.:W.: Robert J. Lambert, Senior Grand Warden, moved for the adoption of the Masonic Home Applications Approved by the Board of Trustees Report for the month of April, and the Non-Resident Relief Report for the month of April. Second was made by R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

NEW ACCOUNT NUMBERS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

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

ACCOUNT NO.	NAME:	ACCOUNT TYPE:
060 00-00 26290.008	Kollock, William (Private Pay)	Liability

R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Junior Grand Warden, moved for the adoption of the New Account Numbers Report for the month of April. Second was made by R.: W.: Jackie D. Arrington, P.D.D.G.M., and the motion carried.

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

During the month of April, there were no credit applications received and processed for the Masonic Home or the Grand Lodge Office.

R.: W.: Jackie D. Arrington, P.D.D.G.M., made a motion for the adoption of the Credit Applications Report for the month of April which was seconded by M.: W.: Steven P. Boring, P.G.M. Motion carried.

LIST OF ESTATE ACTIVITY FOR APRIL

The Board then reviewed the List of Estate Activity for April. M.: W.: Steven P. Boring, P.G.M., moved for acceptance of the report for the month of April as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, 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 from estates and wills through the month of April for the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc. (\$1,780.00). The Board then reviewed the funds available for the Masonic Home Building Fund (\$571,663.45).

R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, made a motion for acceptance of the reports for the month of April which was seconded by R.: W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, Deputy Grand Master, and the motion carried.

MASONIC RELIEF FUND REPORT – APRIL

During the month of April, no funds were received and deposited into the Masonic Relief Fund.

R.: W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, Deputy Grand Master, made a motion for acceptance of the report for April as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

MASONIC HOME BUDGET REPORT – APRIL

We report that we are currently 0.5% favorable to the budget (\$45.1k) for the fiscal year before any contingency is used, after amortizing for the insurance premiums already paid, and adjusting for the timing of maintenance. It was noted that BrandMETTLE has been paid \$157,764 out of the \$230,000 that was budgeted for the fiscal year. Also, this report estimates budget amounts as the budget has not yet been approved by the Craft.

R.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion for acceptance of the Masonic Home Budget Report for April as printed and distributed which was seconded by R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

I. CONTRACT REVIEW/GRAND LODGE:

General Counsel has not been required to review any Grand Lodge matters except as otherwise reflected below.

II. ESTATES:

General Counsel continues to review files relating to open estates and/or trusts naming The Grand Lodge of Florida, the Masonic Home and/or the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc., as beneficiaries.

III. LITIGATION:

Nothing pending.

IV. PROPERTIES:

General Counsel is awaiting the finalization of the DeFrenn property quiet title action.

V. MASONIC HOME:

General Counsel has continued to work with the Board of Trustees and the Administrator regarding matters relating to the Residences of Coffee Pot Bayou. General Counsel continues to work with the Admissions Committee, including the undertaking of title and asset searches for incoming residents as well as the preparation of their Wills, Durable Power of Attorneys, and Spousal Waivers, if applicable.

R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, presented the Report of the General Counsel and then moved for its approval. Second was made by R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

LIST OF PROPERTY ACTIVITY BY COUNTY – APRIL

After a review of the List of Property Activity by County for the month of April, R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Junior Grand Warden, moved for the adoption of the report as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: Jackie D. Arrington, P.D.D.G.M., and the motion carried.

REPORT OF THE PROPERTIES COMMITTEE – MAY

- 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 vacant land located in a wetlands area at the south end of the county and is unusable and has no resale value.
- 2. Zone 2 Properties Committee Chairman R.: W.: Robert L. Gentry**
The Crofton Property at Davis Street, Quincy, FL 32351
The property is vacant land and we have posted a FOR SALE BY OWNER sign.

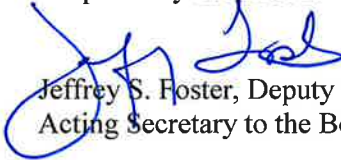
3. **Zone 3 Properties Committee Chairman Brother Nick D. Deonas**
Vacant Land, Starke, FL, owned by Masonic Charities of Florida, Inc.
The property is listed for \$699,900.
4. **Zone 6 Properties Committee Chairman W.: Jeffrey A. Tumbarello**
The DeFrenn Property at 13 Pinewood Blvd., Lehigh Acres, FL 33936
There is a title problem and General Counsel is working on the issue.

R.: W.: Jackie D. Arrington, P.D.D.G.M., made a motion to accept the May Properties Committee Report as printed and distributed. M.: W.: Steven P. Boring, P.G.M., seconded the motion which carried.

The Grand Master addressed the Board and expressed his appreciation for their flexibility, efforts, and dedication during the year due to the situations associated with the COVID-19 Pandemic. He also thanked them for their support of him during the past year.

There being no further business to come before the Corporate Board the meeting was closed at 2:36 p.m. Benediction was then offered by R.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, Senior Grand Warden.

Respectfully submitted:


Jeffrey S. Foster, Deputy Grand Master
Acting Secretary to the Board

Approved:


Thomas L. Turlington, Jr.
Grand Master

**MEETING OF THE CORPORATE BOARD
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June 2, 2021

No. 1

The Organizational Meeting of the Corporate Board of Directors was called to order at 1:00 p.m. on June 2, 2021, at the Rosen Plaza Hotel in Orlando, Florida, by M.:W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, Grand Master, Chairman, with the following members present:

M.:W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, Grand Master, Chairman
R.:W.: Robert J. Lambert, Deputy Grand Master
R.:W.: Glen B. Bishop, Senior Grand Warden
R.:W.: Donald W. Cowart, Junior Grand Warden
R.:W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer
M.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., P.G.M.
R.:W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., P.D.D.G.M.
M.:W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Secretary to the Board

Also present:

R.:W.: Chester A. King, P.D.D.G.M.
R.:W.: Kenneth E. Shaw, P.D.D.G.M.
R.:W.: Michael S. Griffin, P.D.D.G.M.
R.:W.: R. James Rocha, P.D.D.G.M.
R.:W.: Lawrence A. Williamson, P.D.D.G.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by M.:W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, Grand Master. The Grand Master then requested R.:W.: Robert J. Lambert, Deputy Grand Master, to give the Invocation.

Motion was made by R.:W.: Robert J. Lambert, Deputy Grand Master, and seconded by R.:W.: Glen B. Bishop, Senior Grand Warden, that the Grand Lodge Officers and Committees be reimbursed for expenses incurred during the year in the performance of their duties. Travel allowance for the driver of the automobile only, at the rate of \$0.30 per mile or actual expense of travel by commercial plane, train, or other commercial carrier. Hotel or motel rooms, meals, and miscellaneous expenses at actual cost, only to the limit of the amount budgeted for the Officers' or Committees' expense budget.

The cost of meals purchased for others must be itemized, including the date of the expenditure along with the Committee or title of the person(s) whose meal you purchased, the time and place of the meal and the cost. The nature of business or business reason for the expenditure must be indicated on the reimbursement request form. All expenditures must be supported by a receipt. Inadequate documentation will result in the expense reimbursement request being returned. Motion carried.

Motion was made by R.:W.: Glen B. Bishop, Senior Grand Warden, and seconded by R.:W.: Donald W. Cowart, Junior Grand Warden, that all check vouchers issued by the Grand Secretary be delivered to the Grand Master on demand. Motion carried.

Motion was made by R.:W.: Donald W. Cowart, Junior Grand Warden, and seconded by R.:W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, that in the event of the incapacity of the Administrator, the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer are authorized to sign such payroll checks. Motion carried.

The Grand Master announced that the monthly meetings of the Corporate Board will be held at various locations or via video conference on the published date to begin at 10:00 a.m. or at another time as designated by the Grand Master.

Motion was made by R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, and seconded by M.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, P.G.M., that Howard and Company, CPA, P.A., be hired/continue to conduct the audits in accordance with our Regulations. Motion carried.

Motion was made by M.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, P.G.M., and seconded by R.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., P.D.D.G.M., that the Investment Management Agreement for the Masonic Home Endowment Fund between The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida and Bank of New York Mellon be extended for the ensuing year, with the Masonic Home Endowment and Investment Committee reviewing their performance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by R.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., P.D.D.G.M., and seconded by R.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, Deputy Grand Master, that the Grand Master's coins be sold for \$15.00 for the painted bronze and \$60.00 for all silver coins received from the Grand Secretary with the exception of the three coins that are delivered to the Grand Master, Grand Marshal, and Museum for their personal use and the bobbleheads will be sold for \$30.00. Motion carried.

The Grand Master requested that the Grand Secretary prepare the monthly Corporate Board Agenda and distribute it to each Board Member the week prior to the Corporate Board Meeting.

Motion was made by R.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, Deputy Grand Master, and seconded by R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Senior Grand Warden, that the petty cash in the Grand Secretary's Office be continued at the present amount. Motion carried.

Motion was made by R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Senior Grand Warden, and seconded by R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, Junior Grand Warden, that the Minutes of the 192nd Annual Grand Communication, having not been read in the Annual Grand Communication, be published and distributed in the Proceedings after having been reviewed by the Grand Master and immediate Past Grand Master. Motion carried.

The Grand Master discussed proposed guidelines for the Properties Committee. Motion was made by R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, Junior Grand Warden, and seconded by R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, for the guidelines to remain the same. Motion carried.

R.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, Deputy Grand Master, made a motion to approve the Grand Master's Annual Fundraiser to benefit the Masonic Charities of Florida, Inc. Auto taillight decals will be mailed out to the membership along with the request for a donation. Second was made by R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

The Grand Master announced that the next Corporate Board Meeting will be held June 26, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at Winter Park Lodge No. 239.

Prior to closing, prayer was given by R.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, Senior Grand Warden.


There being no further business, M.: W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, Grand Master, Chairman, closed the meeting at 1:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



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

Approved:



Jeffrey S. Foster
Grand Master