

Michigan Underwater Salvage and Preserve Committee  
Thursday, April 24, 2014  
Michigan Historical Center  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Commission Room  
Lansing, Michigan 48915  
Meeting Minutes

**Committee Members – Present**

Ron Bloomfield – Public Member/Michigan Underwater Preserve Council (MUPC)  
Terry Begnoche – Public Member/Whitefish Point  
Sandra Clark – Department of natural Resources (DNR)/Michigan Historical Center  
Tom Graf – Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

**Committee Members – Via Conference Call**

Pete Lindquist - Public Member/Munising  
Wayne Lusardi - DNR/Michigan Historical Center

**Staff**

Michelle Davis – DNR/Michigan Historical Center

**Members of the Public**

Daniel Friedhoff

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. A quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes**

On a motion by Begnoche, seconded by Bloomfield, the February 27, 2014, meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

**Public Comment**

No public comments

**Committee Reports**

**Law Enforcement**

Email from Wade Hamilton - law report was rather light this quarter due to the large amount of ice left from the winter.

**New Permit Applications**

No new permit applications for underwater preserves or salvage have been received.

**Old Business**

Bloomfield requested that each underwater preserve to give him the coordinates on which wrecks need a buoy. Include all of the wrecks at this point and Bloomfield and Lusardi will review and make the final decision. The coordinates for each buoy anchor point need to be submitted to Bloomfield by the end of April 2014. Lusardi and Bloomfield will compile and review the information during the month of May 2014. Lusardi will submit the

required information for permits to Clark during the month of June 2014. The permit with the appropriate funds will then need to be submitted to Graf. Storage of the initial buoys and supplies may be an issue in the beginning. Jeff Gray at the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary may need to be contacted to work out storage concerns.

2016 would be the rollout year. The draft application for the CZM grant will need to be submitted by 2015 and will need to be in the states name. Bloomfield agreed to assist if a match will be required.

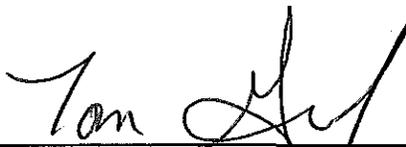
**New Business:**

Graf was contacted by a marina owner near Harbor Springs and they discussed the possibility of an offshore sinking.

**Member Updates**

Begnoche reported to the Committee on the *Comet* safe. Working on the required permit is the first step and those involved are aware the permit will only be good until December 31 of the year in which it is approved. Conserving the safe and its contents are the priority and every effort is being made to contact experts to ensure that the necessary steps are taken while removing the safe from the water and storing it after removal. It may prove beneficial to store the safe somewhere in Michigan and have the experts come to it. Also, it is essential to raise the necessary funds to begin the work.

Bloomfield moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

  
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Tom Graf, Chairperson