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Overview

Professionally Accredited Marine Surveyor with background in multiple disciplines of the maritime field with over 25 years of hands-on experience, in Yacht and small craft surveys including; a comprehensive knowledge of gas & diesel propulsion systems, Marine electrical systems, Hull construction & design, accident investigation, office administration, and human resources. Proficient in computer productivity software, departmental budgeting procedures, and general management skills. Possesses a strong understanding of relationships between office personnel and the necessary tools for maximizing productivity. Excellent PR skills focusing on public communication and relationship building through positive conflict resolution.

Experience

JW Marine Surveyors

Proprietor/Lead Surveyor

Jan 2021 – Present Pemberton, NJ

- Responsible for insurance/evaluation surveys as it relates to small individually owned pleasure craft, large
 yachts, sailing vessels, commercial fishing vessels, barges, and shipping containers.
- Provide legally accurate and timely documented survey reports prepared from factual evidence acquired during hands-on inspections for clients including engine, electrical, hull and corrosion analysis.
- Provide Pre-Purchase marine surveys as it relates to small individually owned pleasure craft, large yachts, sailing vessels, commercial fishing vessels, Tugs, barges, Flagged vessels, and shipping containers.
- Continual education and experience focused on all aspects of marine electrical, mechanical, structural engineering standards.

Pemberton Township Municipality

Council President

Pemberton, NJ

Jan 2023 – Present

- Regularly and thoroughly prepare for each council meeting, acting as a liaison between the municipality and the general public.
- Established, modified, and set goals and objectives for the township, review and approve annual budgets and monitor spending.
- Evaluate and confirm all necessary seats within management component of the municipality at the annual reorganization meetings.
- Drafted legislation to establish or revitalize several boards and committees, serve on various council subcommittees and provide critical input on initiatives within the township designed to improve communities' quality of life both financially and socially.
- Provide feedback to township administration on capital purchases, projects and proposed ordinances prior to introduction or adoption.

Escape Marine Surveying

Associate Marine Surveyor

Jan 2001 – Jan 2021 Pemberton, NJ

- Responsible for insurance/evaluation surveys as it relates to small individually owned pleasure craft, large yachts, sailing vessels, commercial fishing vessels, barges, and shipping containers.
- Provide legally accurate and timely documented survey reports prepared from factual evidence acquired during hands-on inspections for clients including engine, electrical, hull and corrosion analysis.
- Provide business impact, change impact, and business analysis while ensuring all changes are properly planned and effectively communicated to staff.
- Continual education and experience focused in all aspects of marine electrical, mechanical, structural engineering standards.

Tuckerton Seaport Boat Captain

May 2017 - August 2019

Tuckerton, NJ

- Responsible for operation of 23ft waste pump out boat for the state of New Jersey under the reclaim the bay initiative.
- In charge of all mechanical engineering and upkeep of multiple vessels in the fleet.
- Qualified pump repair and maintenance.
- Responsible for accurate logbook record keeping in regards to fuel consumption, scheduling of staff, and daily navigation records.

US Coast Guard Reserves Mechanic

June 1997 – June 2005 Barnegat Light, NJ

- Qualified Diesel mechanic and small boat technician in the United States Coast Guard, handling repair and maintenance in regards to Cummings, and Detroit Diesel machinery and all other auxiliary equipment on board 44ft, 41ft, 21ft Lifeboats at station Barnegat Light NJ.
- Qualified to service numerous outboard & inboard gasoline engines
- Responsible for all preventative maintenance checks on weekly, monthly, bi-annually, and annual service schedules.

Rock Bottom Restaurant & Brewery

Proprietor/Business Manager

Feb 2004 – May 2014 Pittsburgh, PA

- Directly oversaw 6 stores operations with a total annual sales volume combined of \$20 million dollars in gross revenue with a proven track record of increasing sales by 3%-5% annually.
- Set district operating goals such as sales estimates and revenue projections while ensuring operational efficiency in each location.
- Determined root cause analysis of performance trends and developed process improvement plans which targeted assurance in safety, health, quality and satisfaction measures.
- Assessed operational performance to maintain compliance with company and industry standards.

Education

The Restaurant School at Walnut Hill College

Philadelphia, PA

Associate's degree in Specialized Business Administration

January 1999

Honors: (GPA: 3.5)

Denver, CO

Global Academy of Finance and Management

Masters Certificate in Project Management

May 2024

Additional Memberships & Qualifications

- Assoc. of Certified Marine Surveyor Certified Marine Surveyor #0549 2024-2025
- Navtech/USSA Master Marine Surveyor #40115 2024-2025
- Current Member of ABYC 2024-2025
- Current Member of AMSEA 2024-2025
- Member Partner GIECO/BOAT US
- **Current Member American Boating Association**
- Member of USCG Auxiliary Flotilla 7-4 FSO-IS Officer
- Member International Association of Marine Investigators (IAMI) 2024-2025
- Member International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) 2024-2025
- Member National Association Safe Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) 2024-2025
- ABYC Marine Accident & Investigation Certification
- FEMA Professional Development Series Certified
- US Department of Homeland Security Maritime Port Security Certification
- ITC Essentials of Fire Safety Inspections & Management Certified
- International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) Certification in Fire Investigation for Fire Officers
- International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) Certification in Fire Investigation Safety
- International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) Certified in Principals of Fire Investigation
- Certified Inland & Ocean Marine Insurance (New Jersey Dept. Banking & Insurance)
- Diploma in Marine Diesel Engines
- Certification in Marine Surveying & Yacht Appraisals ME-185 & ME-186 (American Society of Appraisers)
- Ethical Insurance training certification (The Institutes)
- CPR/First Aid & Marine Safety Drill Instructor Certified (AMSEA)
- Title 46 CFR USCG Auxiliary Certified CFVE and VE (USCGAUX)
- NJ Licensed Notary Public
- **ABYC Outboard Engine Service Certification**
- Certified IMSBC Code by the NCB
- Certified ITCO Tank Container Inspections
- Certified NCEES Intermodal Shipping Containers
- Diploma in Marine Cargo & Stowage

References Furnished Upon Request