

Letter of interest, Oct 22, 2016

Mayor Cates.

It is my understanding that my term as a Bight Board member is about to expire but that I may apply to extend my service for another term.

It would be my pleasure to continue my service.

As a representative of the Bight tenants and the citizens of Key West I very much want to continue moving the Bight forward in what is now a major phase in the development of our historic seaport.

As you know the City staff and the Bight Board has renovated most of the bight properties, including buildings, streets, docks and infrastructure. There is so much more to be done. To name a few projects: Solve the parking problem. I will be asking the Bight Board to study the possibility of underground parking beneath the current Carolina Parking lot. It works for the Marker Hotel. Maybe it would work for the Bight. I want to make sure that Tenant leases are structured at a fair and equitable market rate. I want to make sure the Schooner Western Union, the flagship of Key West and the State of Florida, has a permanent, affordable home. Most all I want to maintain a real historic seaport, not only in name but in reality. That means encouraging historic ships, museums and marketing to promote and maintain a seaport where locals and tourists alike can participate and enjoy what I consider the crown jewel of Key West attractions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Harry William Bowman

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Harry W. Bowman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the printed name.

RESUME

Harry William Bowman

1943, Born, Halifax Nova Scotia

1950, Grade & High school, New Rockford North Dakota

1962, KDLR Radio, Devils Lake, North Dakota, Announcer.

1964, Armed Forces Radio & TV, DJ, producer, "Korea Calling" , similar to "Good Morning Viet Nam.

1966, KCBY-TV, Coos Bay, Oregon, One man band, Anchor, Reporter.

1970, promoted to headquarter station KVAL-TV, Eugene, Oregon, Anchor, reporter

1973, KTVB-TV, Boise, Idaho, Anchor, Reporter, Best feature.

1975, KVOA-TV, Tucson, Arizona, Reporter, Assignment Editor

1979, WSOC-TV, Charlotte North Carolina, Executive Producer.

1983, WCIV-TV, Charleston, South Carolina, News Director, Best Newscast, Best feature, Best photography.

1990, WSAV-TV, Savannah GA, News Director, Best Newscast, Best sports, Best Photography.

1991, Nashville Tenn, Crook & Chase, Senior producer, National TV country western show.

1993, retired, Conch Tour Train, guide

1998, GM, Schooner Western Union. 2 years President Bight Tenants Association, Bight Board member. Convinced Bight Board to allocate \$250,000 for a \$500,000 matching grant to renovate the Schooner Western Union. Negotiated Bight dock regulations and signage. Helped foster a positive relationship between Tenants, Bight Board and City staff.