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## **National Marine Distributors Association (NMDA) Elects New Officers**

Essex, CT July 20, 2020 – During NMDA’s Annual Meeting, held via Zoom on Monday, July 20, 2020, Mike Conners, President of Land ‘N’ Sea Distributing, was elected President of the Board of Directors. Jim Beale of Paxton Company will serve as Vice-President with Ryan Barber of CWR Distribution assuming the Secretary/Treasurer position. Laura Leon of Medart Marine will remain on the Board as Past President. Each will each serve two-year terms as officers of the association.

Executive Director Nancy Cueroni said she is looking forward to working with the newly elected officers. “Mike Conners has been an integral and active member of the Board for several years. His insight, and ability to see the whole picture, will be invaluable to NMDA as we learn to navigate the new normal”. “Both Jim Beale and Ryan Barber bring specific expertise from their outlook on the aftermarket as well,” she continued.

With the COVID-19 pandemic, and the cancellation of S.T.E.P. a new way had to be found to hold the Annual Meeting. An invitation was sent out to NMDA members and more than one third were represented on Zoom. Along with the election of the Board and Officers the NMDA Supplier of the Year (SOY) awards were also presented

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