

CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON
HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING

Monday May 14, 2007 7:00 p.m., City Hall, Lower Level Conference Room

Members Present

Jimmy Fortunato, Jerry Gruen, Sue Knauer, Frank Metz, Ralph Hess, Pete Jushka, Jerry Baganz

Others Present

Harbor Master Dennis Cherny

City Administrator Mark Grams

1. **Roll Call:** (Absent: All members present)
2. **Approve Minutes Of Previous Meeting**
Jerry Baganz made a motion to approve minutes as written and Frank Metz seconded. Motion carried.
3. **Monthly Financial Report**
City Administrator Grams said that there wasn't much to report. Mainly just slip rental income and expenditures right now. Not too much to add for first four months. Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that the marina is a little bit ahead compared to this time last year. Commissioner Metz mentioned that a correction needed to be made. Under net profit/loss it should be 2007 rather than 2006. **Jerry Baganz made a motion to approve the financial report as corrected and Frank Metz seconded. Motion carried.**
4. **2006 Year End Financial Report**
City Administrator Grams said that 2006 shows a large deficit because of the fifth pier. 2005 and 2006 offset each other because 2005 had a huge gain because of the pier. Daily launches were down and season launches were up slightly. Fringes, miscellaneous, and utilities were higher than budgeted. Fuel pier revenue was way up, but expenditures were also higher because of the high fuel costs. The Fifth Pier cost \$192,000 which was less than the budgeted amount of \$200,000. Harbormaster Cherny also added that \$75,000 went to the construction of the Rotary Park restrooms. After borrowing \$374,473 at the beginning of the year, the reserve fund balance is at \$120,000.
5. **Update On 2007 Marina Slip Leases**
Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that the marina only has 6 remaining 36' slips to rent out and one 40' slip to rent out. He said the marina is doing pretty well especially with adding 22 additional slips.
6. **Hiring Of Seasonal Employees**
Harbormaster Cherny said that there are no new people he needs approved as of right now.
7. **Update On County Rescue Boat**
City Administrator Grams said that there wasn't much to update on as of right now. Although he said that the DNR did call and send him a letter acknowledging his request for launch ramp increases. They will look into it.
8. **Harbormaster's Report**
Harbormaster Cherny said that on April 27th a young kid was learning how to drive a truck and jumped the curb and hit the fence on the north side of the North slip. He pushed the railing out

of alignment by a foot and was not sure if the bulk head was pushed in as well. He said that he has Gillen coming to take a look at it.

He mentioned that he will be having some signs made up one for the fuel pier and one for the north building. The sign for the fuel pier is just an added safety measure. He said that he also had signs made up for the gas and diesel pumps stating in bold letters that you are pumping either gas or diesel.

Work on the propeller is under way at the marina. The tripod stand was welded by the city crew. Schmitz Ready Mix is donating the 10'x10'x3' of concrete that the tripod will sit in and the propeller will stand on. The propeller itself was donated to the marina. It is off the SS Badger and is 13'x 8' wide. In 1959 it was taken off and cost \$100,000 to replace it. The steel for the tripod was donated by the CEO of Modern Equipment, Great Lakes Marine Service donated the transportation costs to get it here as well as donating the crane work needed to lift the propeller on the stand, and the Maritime Heritage Experience also donated \$500 to the project. Everything was donated except for the work done by the city.

A concrete patio will be poured on the south side of the north building where the tent is located. A gas grill will also be provided to tenants and guests along with the charcoal grills and picnic tables already installed.

Fifth pier repairs are completed. Atlantic Meeco did not charge the marina for the parts need to do the repairs.

Dennis also mentioned the gentleman who fell off the break wall recently and the concerns people had regarding ladders and ring buoys.

9. **Marina Tenants' Comments**

No Comments.

10. **Forthcoming Events**

City Administrator Grams mentioned that Pirate Fest will be coming up the first weekend in June and Harbormaster Cherny added that the Disabled Vets fish outing will be held June 6th.

11. **Adjournment**

Frank Metz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. and Pete Jushka seconded. Motion carried.