

CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON  
HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING  
Monday February 8, 2010, 7:00 P.M.  
City Hall, Lower Level Conference Room

Members Present

Jerry Baganz, Jerry Gruen, Sue Knauer, Ralph Hess, and David Larson

Others Present

Harbor Master Dennis Cherny  
City Administrator Mark Grams

1. **Roll Call: (Absent: Frank Metz)**
  
2. **Approve Minutes Of Previous Meeting**  
**Jerry Baganz made a motion to approve minutes as written and Ralph Hess seconded. Motion carried.**
  
3. **Monthly Financial Report**  
City Administrator Mark Grams said that there are no financial reports available for December and January as 2009 numbers are still being finalized. Financial reports will be available for the next meeting.
  
4. **Update On Floating Pier Project**  
Larry Ryan of Baird wanted to discuss change orders 9,10, and 11. Change order number 9: Changes to electrical work (Faith Technologies). 1. Provision of 120v electrical service and phone lines to fuel attendant's building at a cost of \$2000. He said that these items were left out of the base bid originally cause the fuel pier was going to remain fixed but due to extra monies being available decided to go floating as well. 2. Provision of two additional power pedestals with water on the Fuel Pier at a cost of \$11,965. Harbormaster Cherny asked the Commission not to approve that change. He said if it came in at only a couple thousand dollars to go ahead with it, but not for almost \$12,000. He can't justify that cost. He said that he will just run cords from the pedestals on the north side of the fuel pier under the decking to the fire and marina boats. 3. Deletion of nine transition cabinets on docks 1 through 4. Cabinets are not needed resulting in a deduct of \$8625.12. With the deletion of the two additional power pedestals, change order number nine then becomes a deduct of \$6625.12 rather than an add on of \$5339.88. Larry Ryan added that there is a \$15,000 allowance for electrical that is the city's money set aside in the contract. There is a little over \$10,700 still in the contract to be used. City Administrator Grams added that the contingency fund still has approximately \$130,736.00 left available for use.  
**Jerry Baganz made a motion to accept change order number nine as presented with amendment. Ralph Hess seconded. Motion carried.**  
Change Order Number 10: Changes to mechanical systems (Ahern). 1. Provision of polycarbonate sumps to the sanitary pumpout system. Larry Ryan said that rather than having the mechanism above deck they would then be flush to the dock. He believes that there are 64 or 68 total sumps. One sump for every four boats, roughly \$500 apiece. With the thousand dollars deduct, the price for the sumps is \$33,356.25. Harbormaster Cherny said that they will be winterized to prevent freezing and highly recommends going with the sumps. That way they are not a trip hazard and prevent them from getting damaged. 2. Provision of new ¾ inch water line to Rescue Boat Pier at a cost of \$2200.00. Larry said that is the cost to run the water line to their power pedestal. Larry said that the total Pumpout and Water System change with the \$1000 deduct comes in at \$36,556.25. **Ralph Hess made a motion to accept change order number ten and Sue Knauer seconded. Motion carried.**  
Change Order Number 11: Changes required by the upcoming 2011 code. These changes for \$30,250.00 were previously approved at an earlier meeting so he would like to discuss the discretionary changes with the Commission. 1. Upgrade point-of-sale system to a PC based Verifone Sapphire System for \$6800. Larry said that rather than going with the Ruby system which is also a good system, it is suggested that the marina go with the Sapphire system as the Ruby system will soon fade out and replacement parts will no longer be available for it. Per discussions with Mike from Petro-Chem this system is the way to go for the marina. All information for the day will be on this system and should help prevent screw ups and confusion.

2. Upgrade four electronic hose reels, including new hose reels with rewind controls and all the wiring. 3. Replace explosion proof start/stop control mechanisms for each of the four reels. 4. Install four stainless steel cabinets with hinged access covers for each of the four hose reels. 5. Add stainless steel panels to each of the two fuel dispensers. The discretionary changes are not necessary but Larry suggests going with those changes that will dress up the fuel system and make it top of the line and Harbormaster Cherny agrees. **Jerry Baganz made a motion to approve changes as outlined in change order number eleven and Ralph Hess seconded. Motion carried.**

Larry Ryan also mentioned that there is a couple pending proposals. The addition of seven new piles to be located between the first finger pier and the revetment and pile covers for the anchorage piles. He said that the seven additional piles may end up being too costly a project than previously anticipated. New piles would have to be purchased and stone would have to be removed before they were even able to attempt driving the piles in. Also looking into covering the anchorage piles as they are unsightly he said. Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that he is looking at doing just those piles on the finger piers and not the pelican poles in between the slips as too many tenants utilize them for tying up there boats. Rather than 209 pile covers, we are looking at roughly 100 covers that would be needed. He is looking into a PVC type cover at roughly \$50 a piece. Larry Ryan said that we are waiting on final numbers for both of these projects before a decision is made. City Administrator Grams mentioned that change orders 1-8 needed to be approved by the Commission as well. Member Ralph Hess mentioned that the contract and payment dates on the change orders were wrong. **Jerry Baganz made a motion to approve change orders 1-8 with amended contract and payment dates and Ralph Hess seconded. Motion carried.**

5. **Consider Possible Changes To Marina Rules And Regulations**

Harbormaster Cherny had wanted rule #25 which states “No objects except dock lines used for securing the tenant’s vessel shall be left on the finger pier or walkway without the permission of the Harbor Master”, to read Harbor Commission rather than Harbormaster. The Commission decided to leave it as Harbormaster and if he is unable to resolve the issues, then they should be brought before the commission. The commission also agreed with Harbormaster Cherny that the docks should remain clean and neat. No flower boxes, additional cleats, bridles, etcetera should be allowed to be added to the new docks. When the spring letter goes out the end of February they asked that the marina specify these rules for the tenants so there will be no confusion come April/ May when the Marina opens.

6. **Consider Purchase Of Cash Register For Fuel Pier**

Approved under change order number eleven, discretionary changes.

7. **Consider Re-decking Marina Head Walk**

Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that he would like to put a synthetic deck over the current head walk decking. The estimate of cost is roughly \$33,000. Commission members would like to see how much money is left over from the project before they make a decision on the decking.

8. **Consider Combination Locks For Marina Gates**

Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that he would like the marina to go with combination locks and get rid of the keys as this is what some tenants have been asking for. He said that they would be done by the city crew and cost roughly \$500 per gate. That way keys can be eliminated and the \$2000 cost of re-keying the locks every couple of years. Commission member Sue Knauer mentioned that she would be concerned that the combination code would get out quickly and soon everyone could know the combination to get into gates. Harbormaster Cherny said that he would look into what other marinas with combination locks do.

9. **Harbormaster’s Report**

Harbormaster Cherny said that he was part of a conference call regarding federal money that is available for shallow water harbors. During the meeting they stated that there is 90 million dollars of federal money

available. 40 million of it goes to dredging and 30 million goes to the lock system. The remaining monies could go towards things such as fixing Port Washington's breakwater. But getting the money he said is a

battle. The breakwater pretty much has to fall apart before they will fix it. Someone during his meeting had said that the only way our breakwater would get fix prior to it completely falling apart is if we can get an earmark and have a member of congress on our side fighting for our cause. City Administrator Grams added that Senator Herb Kohl is aware and listening to our concerns. Now we just have to get in on the 2011-12 budget.

Marina tenant Joe Sobieski aired his concerns about it not getting fixed and that it is a major attraction for those that come to visit our city. Harbormaster Cherny said that he has had the Army Corps of Engineers here several times looking at it. They too agree that it needs to be repaired, but there hands are tied. Our best form of action is getting Senator Kohl to raise awareness and hopefully getting in on the 2011-2012 budget.

Harbormaster Cherny also mention that the stairs are being looked into for those tenants that will be in need of them. Santo Cannistra from Trionic out of Fredonia is making a couple of samples for the Marina to take a look at. The stairs will conform to the Marina's standards. No wider than 18 inches and all will be alike in look and color.

**10. Marina Tenants' Comments**

No comments.

**11. Adjournment**

**Ralph Hess made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. and David Larson seconded. Motion carried.**

**Unofficial Minutes: Not Yet Approved By the Harbor Commission**