

CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON
HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING
Monday April 8, 2019 6:00 P.M.
City Hall, Lower Level Conference Room

Members Present

Sue Knauer, Jerry Gruen, Dan Herlache, Bill Driscoll, Jordan Schwanz, Dan Laurence, and Mike Gasper

Others Present

City Administrator Mark Grams
Harbormaster Dennis Cherny
Secretary Lisa Rathke
Kristyn Halbig Ziehm- Ozaukee Press
Mayor Becker

1. Roll Call: (Absent: All Members Present)

2. Approve Minutes Of Previous Meeting

Member Driscoll pointed out wording that needed to be changed in paragraph 3. **Bill Driscoll made a motion to approve the minutes as written with the correction and Mike Gasper seconded. Motion Carried.**

3. Monthly Financial Report & 2018 Year End Report

City Administrator Grams mentioned that we have mostly revenues coming in and no major expenditures as of right now. He mentioned that there was a revenue insurance payment of \$29,633.94 for the floating dock by the Blue Bridge that was damaged last November. The expenditures for the floating dock repairs are coming out of the Repairs budget. As for the 2018 Year End Report, the auditors are onsite this week and next, but City Administrator Grams doesn't see much changing from what he previously reported for 2018. We are still looking at a net profit of about \$50,000 he said.

Member Driscoll asked if we will end up above budget again this year with a full marina. Harbormaster Cherny said that they took the profit from last year and added the 3% increase to come up with the budget number for this year. We should end up at budget if everything rents out like last year.

4. Approve Hiring Of Seasonal Employees

Harbormaster Cherny recommended the hiring of the kids listed. **Dan Laurence made a motion to hire the list of employees and Mike Gasper seconded. Motion Carried.**

5. Discuss Possible Relocation Of Fish Cleaning Station

Discussion was held regarding the fish cleaning station. City Administrator Grams said that we are still looking at putting it in the island area, that hasn't changed. He said that they did finalize the development agreement with them. If they would start construction this fall, it would be the hope that the fish cleaning station would be up and running by the time we open in spring of next year. However, if they start sometime next year, it will have to be coordinated that the new one is up and running before the old one is taken down. Member Gasper said that if there is going to be a need for a lift station, he would like to see it moved further south closer to the trailer lot and move the Kiwanis Pavilion with it. Member Gruen inquired if there was any timetable on the engineering of the fish cleaning station. City Administrator Grams said that it will probably be done some time this year. He said that Crane Engineering did the engineering for the last one on Wisconsin Street. Member Gasper inquired if the new fish cleaning station would have to be ADA accessible.

Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that we will need to look into getting dock carts for the fishermen to transport their fish to the fish cleaning station as well.

6. Harbormaster's Report

Harbormaster Cherny said that the Marina opened on Monday. The launch ramps were put in at 8am and by 11am Danny Fox's first boat was in and he's already had a couple charters!

A superficial check of the entire marina showed no damage caused by ice or the cold weather. However, we have experienced a fuel contamination again, we believe due to the deep frost this year. Repairs have been made, fuel has been pumped out, and fresh fuel has been delivered. The State inspected everything, and we are reopened for business. We have a \$10,000 deductible, so the most it should cost us is \$10,000. We do not have the final cost yet and will update once all the bills are in and paid for.

When powering up the pump-out system this spring we did find 28' length of plastic pipe that broke under the Pier 4 ramp. That has been replaced and tested, and we are back in operation.

We have (5)-45' slips open as of right now. We have 4 or 5 people on the waiting list for 30' slips. If we don't rent the 45' slips to larger boats, we will open them up to the smaller boats to at least make some money on them.

Harbormaster Cherny updated on the Marina Control Building roof. According to J&H their crews have been tied up on other projects. They hope to be here once there is a good weather window to tear off and prepare the roof.

The water level has stayed the same over winter per Harbormaster Cherny but is expected to go up a bit once the thaw has happened.

7. Marina Tenants' Comments

No comments.

8. Any Other Business That May Come Properly Before The Commission

No comments.

9. Adjournment

Bill Driscoll made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:21 pm and Dan Laurence seconded. Motion Carried.

Minutes Approved By The Harbor Commission