

Harbor Committee Minutes
February 8, 2011

Members present: Jerry Smith, Chair; Gary Russell, Tab Butler and Gary Krubsack.
Members absent: Charles Meech, Michael Childers, Arnie Nelson and Bob Kron, Alternate
Ex Officio present: Keith Sowl, Town Foreman

1. Call to order.

Harbor Committee meeting called to order on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 11:07 a.m. by Chair J. Smith. A quorum of the committee is present as reflected in members listed above.

2. Review and approve the following Harbor Committee minutes:

A. January 11, 2010

Motion by T. Butler to approve the January 11, 2011 Harbor Committee minutes as presented, second, G. Krubsack. All in favor, all aye, motion carried.

3. Discussion and/or recommendation to the Town Board:

A. Appointment of alternate member to Harbor Committee

Tim Eldred has signed up to serve as an alternate.

Motion by G. Russell to recommend to the Town Board that Tim Eldred be appointed as alternate 1 to the Harbor Committee, term to end March 10, 2012. Second, G. Krubsack. All in favor, all aye, motion carried.

4. Discussion and/or recommendation to the Town Board of vouchers submitted for approval.

No vouchers submitted.

5. Discussion of Harbor Feasibility Study

J. Smith re-sent Keith Sowl's list of stakeholders to Jason Stangland of JJR and said the committee wants to go with the expanded list. Several stakeholders own more than one parcel so the list needs to be condensed.

Agreement to include Nebraska Row stakeholders in the list of stakeholders to be sent to JJR. Discussion that the committee has not heard from JJR. J. Smith will contact Jason and say that the Harbor committee would like to see a basic proposal, some concept of what was discussed at the November 5, 2010 meeting before JJR meets with stakeholders.

G. Russell suggested that the letter that is to be sent to stakeholders ask if the stakeholder prefers being contacted personally or by email. If a personal meeting is requested the stakeholder would have to let JJR know that by a specific date. G. Russell thinks that many stakeholders would prefer to respond by email and not by personal contact.

J. Smith will put something together for Jason and ask that JJR provide information to the committee by the next meeting as well as a draft of the letter that will be sent to stakeholders.

J. Smith will also let JJR know that Keith Sowl will condense the list of stakeholders and also include the stakeholders on Nebraska Row.

6. Grant Review

A. Wisconsin Coastal Management

The request for an extension of the grant deadline has been sent. J. Smith said he believes Barb Nelson, Administrative Assistant, has sent the billing to Coastal Management.

B. Island Matching Fund

J. Smith reviewed the legal opinion in regards to the question if this fund is legal or not at the last Harbor committee meeting. J. Smith said in his opinion the Island Matching Fund is legal because the contributions go directly into a public fund and not a private fund. A copy of the opinion is in committee folders for review.

C. Reclassification of La Pointe Harbor

J. Smith said he cannot find the language in regards to the tonnage requirements for a shallow draft harbor. If the language is not statutory then the classification would be a rule set by the Coast Guard.

7. Budget review.

No changes to the budget, no discussion.

8. Set next meeting and agenda.

Next meeting is set for March 8, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.

9. Adjourn.

Motion by T. Butler to adjourn, second, G. Russell. All in favor, all aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Minutes taken from recorder and respectfully submitted by Kathy Erickson, Clerical Assistant.

Minutes approved as submitted March 8, 2011