

**Harbor Committee**  
**March 2, 2010**

Members present: Alan Fischlowitz, Chair; Charlie Meech and Jerry Smith.  
Members absent: Arnie Nelson and Gary Russell  
Also present: Keith Sowl, Town Foreman and Michael Childers

**1. Call to order.**

Regular meeting of the Harbor Committee called to order on Tuesday February 5, 2010 at 1:35 pm by Chair, Alan Fischlowitz. A quorum of the committee is present as reflected in members listed above.

**2. Review and approval of the following Harbor Committee minutes:**

**A. February 5, 2010**

Motion by J. Smith to approve the February 5, 2010 minutes as presented. Second, C. Meech. All in favor, three ayes, motion carried.

**3. Recommendation to the Town Board: Appointment of committee member: term ending March 10, 2010.**

J. Smith term is up March 10, 2010; J. Smith has agreed to serve for another term.

Motion by A. Fischlowitz to recommend to the Town Board that J. Smith be appointed to a three year term on the harbor committee. C. Meech second. All in favor, two ayes.

Motion does not carry due to lack of a quorum.

Discussion if this recommendation should be tabled until there is a quorum or if a consensus of the majority would suffice. A. Fischlowitz will address this in his report to the Town Board at their March 9, 2010 Town Board meeting and will also contact A. Nelson in regards to J. Smiths appointment.

**4. Coastal Management grant update.**

Official word will come in regards to the award of the grant about mid-March. Thank you to all who worked on this grant, including Michael Childers and Glenn Carlson.

**5. Discussion of new funding proposals and prospects.**

A. Fischlowitz said the application to the Apostle Island Area Community Fund (AIACF) in the amount of \$5,000 was filed on Monday, March 1, 2010. A grant application for the Business Leaders fund of the Duluth Superior Community Foundation in the amount of \$4,000 will be submitted at a later date. A. Fischlowitz said he could receive a call from the AIACF as he put \$5,000 as a line item on the budget instead of \$4,000.00.

J. Smith gave a report on Superior Days. He met several people and updated them on the Island's alternate energy and harbor projects. He did not ask for money, just support.

There were a lot of questions about the ice road. J. Smith said it is good to have La Pointe represented and would like to see young people from La Pointe there also, and be a part of the youth delegation that attends Superior Days.

A. Fischlowitz asked C. Meech to look at private foundations and J. Smith to look at state agencies to find funds for this project. A. Fischlowitz will look at non-traditional forms of funding. A special meeting can be called if grant deadlines have to be met.

A. Fischlowitz will have Barb Nelson, Administrative Assistant email the AIACF grant application to committee members.

Discussion of budget. A. Fischlowitz said of the \$100,000 to be spent about \$70,000 has to be paid in cash to JJR, engineers. The remaining \$30,000 will be for committee expenses such as transportation, conferences, etc.

The amount of the Coastal management grant is \$40,000. We have applications in to the AIACF for \$5,000 and will apply to the Business Leader Fund of the Duluth Superior Foundation for \$4,000.00. This gives us \$49,000.00. JJR needs \$70,000.00 so we need about \$20,000.00. \$5,000 can be used from the 2010 Town Harbor budget and \$5,000 can be used from the 2011 Harbor budget which will put us at \$60,000. This means we will be about \$10,000.00 short. Suggestion to ask business leaders in La Pointe if they would be interested in making a tax deductible contribution to this project. A. Fischlowitz will make some inquiries.

K. Sowl said the Town Harbor development and expansion and feasibility study has been included in the 2010-2013 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) document.

**6. Discussion and/or Recommendation to the Town Board:  
3 Year Harbor Development Plan Statement of Intentions**

K. Sowl will fill out the three year harbor development plan statement of intentions as per the discussion at the February 5, 2010 Harbor committee meeting. The Three Year Harbor plan has to be approved by the Town Board by the March 23, 2010 meeting. If K. Sowl makes changes he will email committee members to see if another meeting would need to be scheduled.

Motion by A. Fischlowitz to approve the Three Year Harbor Development plan, State of Intentions unless K. Sowl has changes. Second, J. Smith. All in favor, all aye, motion carried.

**7. Correspondence from JJR, engineers RE: Long range plan and feasibility study.** JJR and the Town Board are in agreement to use the services of JJR on a time and material basis. The contract, which is at the attorney's office, will be finalized by the end of this month.

**8. Set next meeting and agenda.**

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm.

**9. Adjourn.**

Motion by J. Smith to adjourn, second, C. Meech. All in favor, all aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:20 pm.

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

Minutes approved as presented April 6, 2010