

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY May 2nd, 2024
9:00 a.m. at the Emergency Services Building (ESB) and via Zoom
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Michael Collins, Evan Erickson Jr., Zach Montagne, Jay Wiltz, Pete Ross

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary, Katie Kisner, Chief Administrative Officer

Public Present: Glenn Carlson, Michael Childers, Garry Schalla (Big Top Chautauqua)

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9am by Z. Montagne.
2. Roll Call: All members, staff and public present as listed above.
3. Public Comment: G. Carlson has a comment for item 7.b. Communications.
4. Big Top Chautauqua Discussion with Garry Schalla: Discussion of what shows for late night ferry boats. Question of costs for late runs and crew availability. Consensus to get a rating list from Big Top for their preferred shows.
5. Election of Vice President: Motion by M. Collins to elect Jay Wiltz as vice president, seconded by E. Erickson, all in favor, Motion Carried.
6. Minutes – 4/16/2024 & 4/25/2024: Motion by M. Collins to approve 4/16/24 minutes, seconded by E. Erickson, all in favor, Motion Carried. Motion by M. Collins to approve the minutes from 4/25/24, seconded by E. Erickson, all in favor, Motion Carried.
7. Committees – Updates
 - a. President: Nothing
 - b. Communications:
 - i. G. Carlson: There was a slip and fall incident on the town dock. Please remember the chain of communications when things like this occur.
 - ii. M. Collins: Rob Karwath (AIMClear) will have an update at the next meeting. An article for the Gazette has been submitted.
 - c. Other: Rack cards with 2024 schedule and tariffs have been ordered and should be on island by 5/13/24.
8. Chief Administrative Officer Report: Review of report. Motion by Z. Montagne to place CAO report on file, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, Motion Carried.
9. Discussion of Discounted Rates for Odd Sized Vehicles & Seniors & Groups: Continued discussion and consensus that there should be no special discounts for anyone, unless it is for groups such as emergency services and honor guard for special events such as the 4th of July celebration, Memorial Day, etc.

10. Discuss Budget Negotiations with MIFL: Motion by M. Collins to go into closed session to discuss MIFL budget, item #11, and item #14, seconded by E. Erickson, roll call vote, 5 ayes, in closed session at 9:24am.

Motion by Z. Montagne to return to open session, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, back in open session at 9:48am.

This meeting may, upon duly made motion, be convened in closed session under State Statute 19.85 (1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. If the Commission goes into closed session; it will reconvene in open session before adjourning.

11. Discuss Payment in Lieu of Taxes to Bayfield, School District, & Tech School: Discussed in closed session.
12. Review of Passenger Code of Conduct Posting & Enforcement: Motion by E. Erickson to post Conduct of Passengers around ferry landing and on ferries, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, Motion Carried.
13. Process of Contracts: Discussion of contracting with outside vendors for MIFL, LLC. Consensus to let the leaders of MIFL, LLC decide who to contract with, as they have good standing relationships with most vendors already.
14. Assignment and Assumption for Easement City of Bayfield: Discussed in closed session.
15. Approval of Bills: None.
16. Future Agenda Items: Continued discussion on discounted ferry rates, Big Top Chautauqua.
17. Meeting Dates: May 16th, 2024, at 9am.
18. Adjourn: Motion by Z. Montagne to adjourn, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 9:58am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, May 16, 2024, L. Burtaux.