

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY September 26th, 2024
9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Michael Collins, Zach Montagne, Susan Widmar, Glenn Carlson, Jay Wiltz, Evan Erickson Jr.

Commissioners Absent: Pete Ross

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

Public Present: Cal Linehan, John Carlson (left after public comment)

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Z. Montagne at 9:00am.
2. Roll Call: All members, staff and public present as listed above.
3. Public Comment A: J. Carlson stated that at the 9/5 harbor commission meeting there was a lot of reference to Darling's Grocery regarding the fridge truck. He suggested using a thermal blanket to keep goods at temperature.
4. Minutes – 9/19/24: Motion by Z. Montagne to table to approval of minutes as they are not ready, seconded by S. Widmar, all in favor, motion carried.
5. Committees – Updates
 - a. President: None.
 - b. Communications: G. Carlson stated that an indemnification for the school contract relieving the school and ferry of responsibility for students to travel on the ferry without a chaperone (for example if they had to leave school due to illness) would not be possible. He suggested a meeting with the Bayfield School chaperones and harbor commission members to find a solution.
 - c. Incoming Public Communications: None.
 - d. Other: None.
6. Chief Administrative Officer Report – Katie Kisner: Motion by E. Erickson to put the report on file, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried.
7. Consider Approval of Sale of Assets for Auction: Motion by Z. Montagne to approve sale of the refrigerator truck, the 1997 chevy plow truck and two trailers. E. Erickson stated the dodge caravan would not be safe to sell. Motion seconded by J. Wiltz, all in favor, motion carried.
8. Refrigerator Truck Updates and Discussion: C. Linehan noted that the truck for purchase is on reserve. Discussion on the difference between a diesel engine and a regular gas engine. C. Linehan states there will be a maintenance plan for the vehicle. Consensus to move forward with the purchase.

9. Review Easement Request from Greg Nelson: Motion by Z. Montagne to table the recommendation to the town board to approve the easement due to an outdated letter, seconded by E. Erickson. Z. Montagne will request a new letter be submitted to the harbor commission.
10. Discussion of Middle Road Property: The building needs to be demolished. Discussion on demolition of the buildings or potential controlled burn with the fire department for training. Motion by J. Wiltz to recommend to the town board demolition of the building, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.
11. Review of MIFL Management Contract: Motion by Z. Montagne to go into closed session, roll call vote, 6 ayes, motion carried. Meeting in closed session at 9:42am.

Motion by G. Carlson to come out of closed session, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting in open session at 10:15am.

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.

12. Future Agenda Items: MIFL Contract, Easement letter, Madeline project update.
13. Meeting Dates: Thursday, October 10th at 9am.
14. Public Comment B: None.
15. Adjourn: Motion by Z. Montagne to adjourn, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, October 10, 2024, L. Burtaux.