

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY November 21st, 2024
9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Michael Collins, Zach Montagne, Glenn Carlson, Susan Widmar

Commissioners Absent: Pete Ross, Jay Wiltz

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

Public Present: Paul Brummer, Cal Linehan (MIFL LCC), LeeAnn Schaub (Madeline Island Chamber of Commerce), Sharon Zanto (Madeline Island Chamber of Commerce), Michael Childers

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: P. Brummer requested Harbor Commission meetings start later. He made a comment about the town/ferry being a member and advertising with the Madeline Island Chamber of Commerce.
4. Madeline Island Chamber Advertisement Discussion – Sharon & LeeAnn: Discussion on the different types of advertisements and where they are advertised. The past has been a 50/50 cost split between the Chamber and the Madeline Island Ferry Line for these advertisements. Suggestion that the payment moving forward is like room accommodation tax payments which is a 30/70 split (30% MIFL/Harbor Commission, 70% Chamber). S. Zanto will go to the Chamber board with this idea.
5. EPA Grant Update: C. Linehan gave an overview of the different areas of the application and where the application was ranked. Overall, this was a strong application that could be expanded on for future grant proposals.
6. Work Boat Show Report: C. Linehan debriefed on the Work Boat Show that he and two MIFL employees attended in New Orleans, Louisiana. 20 classes offered and new products were seen.
7. Minutes – 11/14/24: Motion by G. Carlson to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by M. Collins, no discussion, all in favor, motion carried.
8. Chief Administrative Officer Report – Katie Kisner: Discussion on various topics. A claim has been made against the Town/MIFL from an injury to a deckhand while on the job which has been forwarded to the town's attorney. Motion by Z. Montagne to put the report on file, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.
9. Budget 2025: Update on timeline for final numbers is mid-December.

10. Approval of Bills: Motion by G. Carlson to approve the bills, seconded by M. Collins. Discussion on a couple of different purchases from MIFL. It was noted that the repairs for the voucher for John Fabick Tractor Company was for the La Pointe top engine rebuild, not the Island Queen. All in favor to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$238,603.46, motion carried.
11. Review of MIFL Management Contract: No discussion; Commission did not go into closed session.
12. Future Agenda Items: Interest payment approval, 2025 budget, Newsletter update from Lee Baker.
13. Meeting Dates: Thursday, December 5th at 9am.
14. Public Comment B**: None.
15. Adjourn: Motion by Z. Montagne to adjourn, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, December 5th, 2024, L. Burtaux.