



City of Racine Meeting Minutes Board of Harbor Commission

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*Chairman James Rooney
Lynn Monroe
John Dziekan
Michael Fox
Timothy Hyland
Sherman Foertsch
Tom Ryan
Richard Hynek
Tony Hermann*

Thursday, April 19, 2007

5:30 PM

Room 103, City Hall

1. Call To Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: 7 - Tony Hermann, James Rooney, Lynn Monroe, John Dziekan, Michael Fox, Sherman Foertsch and Tom Ryan

EXCUSED: 2 - Richard Hynek and Timothy Hyland

Also Present: John Rooney, Secretary; Jim Metzger, Racine County; Mark Lovdahl, Harbor Tenders

2. Approval of Minutes for the March 15, 2007 Meeting

Motion made by Hermann, seconded by Fox to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2007 meeting.

3. Racine County Sheriff's Department Water Patrol Report

Sgt. Halliday appeared before the Commission. He noted the floating piers and other piers have been installed. He indicated Pugh Marina is working on the buoys and hopes to have them completed by this weekend. He noted the water markers need to be installed.

John Rooney asked that he contact Bill Folstrom from the Department of Public Works to get the water marker signs and provide assistance in installing them in the river.

Chairman Rooney and Sgt. Halliday discussed the light list and the foghorn information for installation of new equipment later this summer.

Sgt. Halliday noted the sequence of the lights, and the distance of which the foghorn needs to operate, needs to be checked and he would follow-up with the Chairman and Secretary to make sure the right equipment is specified.

4. Park, Recreation and Cultural Services Department Report.

Secretary Rooney asked this item be deferred until the May meeting. He noted some costs were going to be submitted for a pay and display box at that location.

5. [07-0421](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from Alan Veenstra requesting

the adjustment of mooring locations.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Chairman Rooney explained the request from Alan Veenstra regarding the adjustment of mooring locations. It appears Veenstra's mooring assignment was changed last year from a previous year. He noted that the mooring assignment should be changed back to his original one and we should make sure that no moorings around Mr. Veenstra's mooring are rented or assigned. Chairman Rooney noted there is an excess of mooring locations in the harbor and it should not be a problem to make sure that other mooring locations are utilized other than the one surrounding his location to accommodate his large boat. Chairman Rooney noted he would contact Mr. Veenstra as to the final recommendation for his mooring location.

John Rooney noted this communication could be received and filed.

A motion was made by Hermann, seconded by Fox to receive and file the communication.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

6. Update on Harbor Weed Control Plan. Jim Metzger invited to the meeting.

Jim Metzger submitted the request for proposal to the Harbor Commission. He noted the County was funding up to \$10,000 for the Aquatic Plant Management study and survey. He noted the request was ready for advertising next week. He noted that would be published in a public paper and letters would also be sent out to firms interested in the RSVP. He noted a return of the RFP for May 9, 2007. He asked that Chairman Rooney appoint a review team to review the return proposals to help make a recommendation to Racine County.

Chairman Rooney indicated he would form a team to review the proposals and asked that those proposals be sent to that team as soon as they are returned to the County after May 9, 2007.

7. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Lake Level Bulletin for April 2007.

Chairman Rooney distributed the Lake Level Bulletin for April 2007.

8. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date is May 17, 2007 in Room 103.

9. Miscellaneous

1. Lynn Monroe noted Racine Riverside is having an open house.

2. John Rooney commented on the status of the Main Street bridge repairs. He noted the repairs were essentially complete, with the exception of some bolts that were on backorder. He noted as soon as those bolts are installed, both leafs will operate on the bridge and then the signage noting that the north leaf is inoperable will be removed.

3. The Harbor Commission set up the meeting location for the summer months. It was noted the Racine Yacht Club will host the meeting in June; Fifth Street Yacht Club will

host in July, and Harbor Yacht Club will host in August. The Harbor Commission asked that notices be sent, soon, to all those yacht clubs indicating the meetings will be held at those locations, so they can post for their members and notify their staff.

4. Chairman Rooney made comments on the status of the plans for new docks and dredging for Racine Yacht Club. He asked that those plans are moved forward and the Racine Harbor Commission be kept apprised of what is happening.

5. Chairman Rooney asked that the meeting be moved up to a 5 P.M. start time starting with the May meeting. The members concurred with the 5 P.M. start time.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 P.M.

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