



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Board of Harbor Commission

Thursday, March 16, 2023

3:00 PM

Racine Yacht Club

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Present: Jim C. Rooney – Chair, Rick Hennig – Vice Chair, Sean Fox, John Bertermann, Jim Poplawski, Tony Herrmann - HCE, Lynn Monroe, Alder – Amanda Paffrath and Ara Molitor – Secretary. There were also several guests including Scott Monroe and Amy Cermak.

Excused: Sherman James Foertsch, Dan Strommen, Sgt. Dan Hogan – Racine County Sheriff's Dept., James Rooney – HCE, , Kurt Winthrop (NV), Gary Anders (NV), Marc Lovdahl – Harbor Tenders, and Tom Molbeck – Director Racine Parks & Rec.

Approval of Minutes for the November 17, 2022 Meeting

The minutes for the November 17, 2022 meeting were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.

Racine County Sheriff's Department Water Patrol:

Nobody representing the Sheriff's Office were present to give a report.

Parks, Recreational and Cultural Service Department Report:

Tom Molbeck was not present to give updates. Secretary Molitor reported that the annual sales were \$29,783.00, half of which will go to the Park's Department and the other half to the Harbor Commission, or \$14,891.50 each. It is amazing that the sales report reflect that the sales are traditionally right around \$30,000 with the exception of the anomaly year of 2020 during the pandemic. Secretary Molitor also reported the lake water level and the downward trending elevations.

Old Business:

Senator Baldwin Infrastructure Reef Report:

Dr. Herrmann briefly updated the Commission on the infrastructure projects mentioning that he will have more to report at the next meeting.

Pump Out Station Grant:

Secretary Molitor updated the Commission regarding the pump out station. We will

replace the pump in the spring when weather allows.

Infrastructure Update:

New Business:

Use of Public Docks at Rooney and Pugh Recreation Area:

Racine Yacht Club requested the use of these two areas for the 40th Annual Hook Race to be held on 7/15/23. The Dock use request is for Thursday - 7/13 through Saturday – 7/15. Motioned and approved unanimously.

Letter of support to Racine County for improvement on North Breakwater

Racine County is asking for a support letter for their efforts on the north breakwater pier. Secretary Molitor will write the letter. Motioned and approved unanimously.

Pugh Marina: Scott Monroe of Riverside Marina was allowed to address the Commission regarding his intentions to improve the Pugh Marina riverfront. Most of the plans are only in the idea phase. Eventually he will be looking for guidance and support of the Commission regarding his plans he was directed to contact Jim Rooney to obtain contact information for the Waterways Commission. There will need to be coordination with the County and City of Racine for development and river wall changes.

Next Meeting Date: Options: Wednesday, 4/19 or Thursday, 4/27

Options were presented for either Wednesday 4/19/23 or Thursday 4/27/23. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 19, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. – 5th Street Yacht Club.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.