



# City of Racine

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## Meeting Minutes - Final Board of Harbor Commission

*Chairman James Rooney  
Lynn Monroe  
Michael Fox  
Richard Hynek  
Jeff Raffini  
Tony Herrmann  
Sherman Foertsch  
Tom Ryan*

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Thursday, May 19, 2011

4:00 PM

Racine Yacht Club - 1 Barker Street

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### 1. Call To Order

*The meeting was called to order at 4:08 P.M.*

**PRESENT:** 7 - Lynn Monroe, Michael Fox, Richard Hynek, Jeff Raffini, Tony Herrmann, James Rooney and Tom Ryan

**EXCUSED:** 1 - Sherman Foertsch

### 2. Approval of Minutes for the April 21, 2011 Meeting

*The minutes of the April 21, 2011 meeting were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.*

### 3. New Business

#### 4. [11-6083](#)

**Subject:** Communication from Dave Blank, President/CEO of Real Racine, requesting permission to dock the ship, Denis Sullivan, in the Racine Harbor in August.

**Recommendation of the Harbor Commission on 03-17-11:** Defer

**Recommendation of the Harbor Commission on 04-21-11:** Defer

**Recommendation of the Harbor Commission on 05-19-11:** Defer

*Chairman Rooney discussed his visit to Milwaukee to see the location where the Denis Sullivan is docked. He also made a stop at South Shore Yacht Club to see their facility as well. He had not heard from Dave Blank regarding the item, so he was under the assumption Mr. Blank was still looking for the local match funding to dock the Denis Sullivan. Chairman Rooney noted the Harbor Commission would support the Denis Sullivan using the floating dock at the pump-out station. He asked the Secretary to contact Dave Blank to make sure he attends the June meeting. If this item is going to be approved, it could be done at that time.*

*After further discussion, a motion was made by Herrmann, seconded by Monroe to defer. Passed unanimously.*

**Deferred**

5. [11-6358](#) **Subject:** Communication from Sea Scouts, B.S.A., requesting permission for overnight use of the Rooney Pugh Recreation area for a council wide camporee starting Friday, August 19, 2011 and ending Sunday, August 21, 2011.

**Recommendation of the Harbor Commission on 05-16-11:**  
Approve the request by the Sea Scouts for overnight use of the Rooney Pugh Recreational area August 19 - 21, 2011.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

*Chairman Rooney discussed the request to permit overnight dockage at the Rooney Pugh Recreational area for the Sea Scouts.*

*Motion made by Hynek, seconded by Monroe to approve the request subject to the application materials being completed. Passed unanimously.*

**Recommended For Approval****6. Pier Extension for Pugh Marina**

*Chairman Rooney noted he had a meeting set up with the County Executive for Monday, May 23rd, to discuss the extension. He discussed some of the history on other extensions in the area.*

*It was brought up by the Secretary of the Commission that the existing navigation light that is on the end of the pier may be obstructed if the extension of this pier is permitted.*

*Chairman Rooney wanted to review that to make sure it would not be problematic for safe navigation in the river in the harbor. He noted he would discuss the item with the County Executive and also follow-up to see what the next appropriate action should be.*

*After further discussion, a motion was made by Hynek, seconded by Monroe to defer. Passed unanimously.*

**7. Hook Race on July 15, 2011 (Charlie Manning invited to the meeting)**

*Chairman Rooney noted there were two piers requested for use for overnight dockage for the Hook Racine on July 15, 2011.*

*After further discussion, a motion was made by Raffini, seconded by Monroe to approve. Passed unanimously.*

**8. Racine County Sheriff's Department Water Patrol Report**

*Tom Bauer was introduced to the Harbor Commission. Bill Halliday gave an update on the buoy lights and bridge markers being up.*

*The Commission asked that Tom Bauer keep the Harbor Commission apprised on Water Patrol activities for the month prior to the meeting and wished him good luck*

*with his new role with the Sheriff's Department.*

**9. Park, Recreation and Cultural Services Department Report**

*Secretary Rooney noted that no report had been submitted. He noted the pump station is operational and noted revenue reports will be forthcoming as the season progressed.*

**10. City/County Partnership for Harbor Maintenance**

*Secretary Rooney noted there was no report for City/County partnership on Harbor maintenance.*

**11. U.S. Army Corp of Engineers Lake Level Bulletin for May 2011**

*Secretary Rooney submitted the Lake Level Bulletin for May 2011 and noted this was information only and no action was required.*

**12. Next Meeting Date**

*The next Harbor Commission meeting will be June 16, 2011 at 4:00 P.M. at the Harbor Lite Yacht Club - 559 State Street.*

**13. Adjournment**

*The meeting adjourned at 5:25 P.M.*

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