



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Board of Harbor Commission

Thursday, May 18, 2023

3:00 PM

Harbor Lite Yacht Club

Call To Order

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

Present: Rick Hennig – Vice Chair, Jim Poplawski, Sherman James Foertsch, Lynn Monroe, Inv. Jerome Hipperogan – Racine County Sheriff's Dept., John Bertermann, Gary Anders (NV), Amy Cermak (NV), Tom Molbeck – Director Racine Parks & Rec. and Ara Molitor – Secretary.

Excused: Jim C. Rooney – Chair, James Rooney – HCE, Sean Fox, Tony Herrmann - HCE, Dan Strommen, Alder – Amanda Paffrath and Marc Lovdahl – Harbor Tenders,

Approval of Minutes for the April 19, 2023 Meeting

The minutes for the April 19, 2023 meeting were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.

Racine County Sheriff's Department Water Patrol:

Investigator Jerome Hipper updated the board on the status of the boats; Boat #1 is in the water and Boat #2 is out getting seasonal maintenance. He also submitted a picture of a sign needing replacement just south of the causeway drive and just east of the festival site, and a board needing to be refastened on the floating dock system in the same area.

Parks, Recreational and Cultural Services Department Report:

Tom Molbeck updated the Board on the status of several items that have been brought to our attention;

- They will be replacing the money exchanger for the boat launch*
- They will be cleaning the docks every day between 7-8am*
- They are looking into the best option of sweeping or spraying the lot, the sweepers do not do a good job with the goose droppings.*
- The City will be staffing both beaches on the weekends this year, North beach will be manned every day. Last year they did not have the personnel to staff both beaches ever.*
- There are now function cameras that are maintained by MIS Dept.*
- Secretary Molitor reported that we have not received a launch kiosk report yet this year. Secretary Molitor also reported the lake water level and the downward trending elevations.*

Old Business:

Senator Baldwin Infrastructure Reef Report:

Deferred until next meeting.

Pump Out Station Grant:

Secretary Molitor updated the Commission regarding the pump out station. The pump is functioning and we will notify all yacht clubs and marinas when it is operational. We are going to replace the \$5 bill exchanger.

Infrastructure Update:

Deferred until next meeting.

New Business:

Request to use Public Dock by Rooney Park: Amy Cermak had sent a letter to Chair Rooney requesting the use of the public docks – we will have it on the agenda for next meeting.

Next Meeting Date: June 15, 2023 - Racine Yacht Club

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.