



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Board of Harbor Commission

Thursday, August 16, 2018

3:30 PM

Racine Yacht Club - 1 Barker St.

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 P.M.

Present: Mike Fox, Tom Ryan, Tony Herrmann, Richard Hynek, James Rooney, Lynn Monroe, Dan Strommen, Alderwoman Tracey Larrin
Excused: Sherman Foertsch

Also Present: John Rooney, Tom Molbeck, Deputy Rohner, Jim Poplawski

Approval of Minutes for the July 19, 2018 Meeting

The minutes of the July 19, 2018 meeting were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.

Racine County Sheriff's Department Water Patrol Report

Deputy Rohner appeared before the Commission. There was discussion regarding the fog horn, if it was working properly. It was noted it was reported from the Secretary of the Harbor Commission that the electricians replaced some electrical units on the fog horn for the battery backup system. There has been reports the fog horn is functioning normal.

Chairman Rooney noted the cost of the fog horn was approximately \$30,000 ten years ago. The situation will be monitored continuously to see if there are any remaining issues with it.

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department Report

Tom Molbeck appeared before the Commission regarding a report on the launch facility. He noted the Downtown service program with the ambassadors is working quite well and will be continuous as long as the ambassadors are on site in Downtown at this area.

Fund For Lake Michigan - Proposal for Racine County Harbor Monitoring

The Chairman and Commission elected to eliminate this item from the agenda and future agendas.

Racine Harbor & Root River Water Quality Issues

Tony Herrmann noted he will be presenting a report at the September meeting.

Reef Lighthouse

Three members of the Harbor Commission took a tour of the structure with Deputy Rohner on the Racine County Sheriff's Water Patrol boat. It appears that the west side of the structure has serious deterioration with concrete that is hanging down to the water level. It looks like winter could be a serious challenge to the base of this structure. It was noted there has been continuous communication with House Representative Ryan with this issue.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Lake Level Bulletin for August 2018

Chairman Rooney noted the water levels for Lake Michigan are only 16 inches below the all time high. This is information only and no action was required.

Next Meeting Date - September 20, 2108 at 4:00 P.M. - Fifth St. Yacht Club, 761 Marquette St.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

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