

City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Board of Harbor Commission

Thursday, June 17, 2021 3:00 PM Racine Yacht Club

Call To Order

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

Present: Tony Herrmann - Chair, Jim C. Rooney – Vice Chair, James Rooney, Jim Poplawski, Rick Hennig, Tom Ryan, Lynn Monroe, Tom Molbeck – Director Racine Parks & Rec. and Ara Molitor – Secretary.

Excused: Sherman Foertsch, Dan Strommen, Alder - Edwin Santiago Jr., Sean Fox, Monte Osterman and Sgt. Dan Hogan – Racine County Sheriff's Dept.

Guests: Jonathan Delagrave – Racine County Executive and Julie Anderson – Public Works Director

Approval of Minutes for the May 20, 2021 Meeting

The minutes for the May 20, 2021 meeting were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.

Racine County Sheriff's Department Water Patrol Report:

Sgt. Hogan was not present so there was no report given.

Parks, Recreational and Cultural Services Department Report:

Tom Molbeck updated commission of the items that he had – Lake level and Boat Launch Sales Report.

The Kiosk needed upgrading which has been completed.

The handicap swing has 1 piece that is not working properly, this will be fixed shortly.

The City Parks Department was approved for 7 of the sites submitted to FEMA for the January 2020 Storm Damage.

They will concentrate on the grants for the first 3 sites this year.

The rest will be completed over the next couple of years.

Concerns were brought up of the people whom launched their boats at the 5th Street launch and then docked in a slip for the season avoiding any launch fees. Is there any

way of monitoring this?

Resolution for Support from the City of Racine: Secretary Molitor will work with Ald. Santiago (sponsor) and Commissioner of Public Works Rooney and Attorney Letteney to draft resolution for adoption.

Presentation of North Pier Concerns:

Vice Chair Rooney gave a brief description of report and condition of the North Pier.

Exec. Delagrave summarized the county's position on the condition of the North Pier and agreed that something needs to be done. The County is in favor of acting on this issue possibly with the proposed Federal Infrastructure Bill.

Director Anderson also spoke in favor of addressing the issue, but said the past year has been difficult for everyone. Summarized that the County was also denied FEMA money to repair the storm damaged from the January. All that aside she did assure the commission that the County would be proactive in this matter.

In August the county will be going over their budget for 2022.

Field Review of North Pier:

Those that were able walk the North Pier to see the condition first hand.

Next Meeting Date July 15, 2021 at 3:00 P.M.-Harbor Lite Yacht Club

Meeting Options: #1 July 22 at 3:00 p.m.

#2 August 19 at 3:00 p.m.

The next is scheduled for July 15, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. – Harbor Lite Yacht Club, however I will be on vacation that week. Options are:

July 22nd at 3:00 PM (one week later)
August 19th at 3:00 PM (skip the July meeting)

The Commission verbally agreed that it would prefer the next meeting: July 22, 2021 at 3:00 pm – Harbor Lite Yacht Club.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.

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