



# City of Racine

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft

### Board of Harbor Commission

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Thursday, October 21, 2021

3:00 PM

Harbor Lite Yacht Club

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#### Call To Order

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

Present: Tony Herrmann - Chair, James Rooney, Rick Hennig, Jim Poplawski, Sherman Foertsch, Sean Fox, John Bertermann, Deputy Nick D. Koldeway in for Sgt. Dan Hogan – Racine County Sheriff's Dept. and Ara Molitor – Secretary.

Excused: Jim C. Rooney – Vice Chair, Alder - Edwin Santiago Jr., Tom Ryan, Lynn Monroe, Dan Strommen, Monte Osterman and Tom Molbeck – Director Racine Parks & Rec.

#### Approval of Minutes for the September 16, 2021 Meeting

*The minutes for the September 16, 2021 were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.*

#### Racine County Sheriff's Department Water Patrol Report:

*Deputy Nick D. Koldeway reported that they would start removing piers on 11/8 through 11/10. He had nothing new to report regarding the "Spot Locking" or the no wake signage situations.*

#### Parks, Recreational and Cultural Services Department Report:

*Tom Molbeck was not present, Secretary Molitor reported on the information that he had received regarding lake levels and kiosk reports (Down 1.5 Ft. from last year this time). Through September the Kiosk report looks similar to Pre-2020 levels. We will finalize the number prior to next meeting. Half of the revenue from the Kiosk goes to the commission.*

Old Business:

WDNR Issues-Waukesha Diversion of Water Approval:

Chairman Herrmann was in contact with Keith Haas. He said that the water that will be coming down the Root River from Waukesha will actually benefit the river since it is purified and clean and will actually normalize river water levels. The diversion will not start taking place until 2023.

Senator Baldwin Infrastructure Reef Project:

Chairman Herrmann handed out a summary of estimated cost to the projects that we are hoping that could take place if the infrastructure bill is passed. These are preliminary rough estimates and the County would need to hire a consultant for the design and actual estimating of the projects. (See attached)

5th Street Boat Launch metering and or security issues:

Secretary Molitor Stated last time that this was a dead issue.

Pump Out Station Grant:

Secretary Molitor gave a quick update that the grant money is still under review from the DNR. We will not hear until February of 2022 if we are approve. If the approval is granted, the entire project will take a matter of days for the installation of a new pump since everything is already in place.

North Pier/North Beach Signage:

Jim Poplawski sent an email to several County and City representatives regarding the adding a changeable message sign at the west end of North Pier and the south end of North Beach declaring the number of drownings from the previous year. Ald. Santiago responded with his support and sponsorship if required. Julie Anderson also responded with the county's plans for further educations and additional signage requirements. (all emails attached)

New Business:

*No new business to discuss.*

**Next Meeting Date: November 18, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Fifth Street Yacht Club**

**Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 3:22 p.m.*