

HARBOR COMMISSION MINUTES:

September 13th, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 6:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Fisher, Blesma, Bronkema, Berck, Hansen, Orschel

ABSENT: Wiltse

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a. Regular Harbor Commission meeting held July 12th, 2021: Commissioner Hansen motioned, and Commissioner Blesma seconded to approve minutes from the regular meeting July 12th, 2021. All members present voting yes (6-0). Motion carried.

REPORTS:

- a. Harbormaster Singleton presented the monthly report to the Commission.
- b. Council: Report presented by Trustee Bronkema
- c. Treasurer: Harbormaster Singleton provided up to date FY2021-2022 revenue and expenditure report.

CITIZENS COMMENT: 2 citizen comments

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Barge update by Harbor Commission: **No action by Harbor Commission**
 - i. Three (3) barge quotes with all specifications of the barge's length, the width, draught, articulating crane, working load limit, engine power, additional anchoring options, trailer, and miscellaneous costs, were presented by the Harbormaster to the Commission at their request as per the June 2021 Harbor Commission meeting. The Harbormaster provided information that he feels the current harbor barge is structurally unsafe for the work that is being conducted. The Harbormaster identified unsafe equipment and practices that need to be addressed immediately to prevent potential staff injuries and damage to village and/or boater property. The Harbormaster stated that procurement and fabrication of a new barge and delivery is approximately one year away. The Harbormaster additionally stated that he cannot in good conscience have staff continue to work in conditions that are unsafe and that he would ask for a budget amendment to hire a private contractor each fall and spring to complete necessary work. The Harbormaster stated that the commission should take action to vote and move forward with applying for grants and to begin budgeting for a 2022 purchase. No motion or vote was made by the Harbor Commission. Commissioner Orschel requested pictures of a barge and stated he wanted to be able to step on a barge to see how it worked. Harbor Chair requested Commissioner's Berck and Orschel contact and work with the Harbormaster to further research a barge.
- b. Sidewalk and cement pad tripping hazard at Pavilion update by Harbor Commissioner Orschel: **No action taken, no quote or estimate provided to Harbormaster or Commission**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Harbor Commission Rules and Regulations discussion (Duties of Chair, Duties of Vice-Chair, Duties of Secretary, Authority of Commissioners, Harbor Commission Missions, Goals, etc.)
 - i. Chairman Fisher tabled the discussion to happen at the November 2021 Harbor Commission meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. The Harbormaster identified the need to have the Harbor Commission help working on updating a 5-year plan
- b. Harbor Commission Chair Fisher announced that he would be stepping down and resigning from the Harbor Commission effective October 11th, 2021

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. Great Lakes water levels
- b. ACOE weekly Great Lakes water level update

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:57 P.M.