

Harbor Commission 2024

Meeting Minutes- Monday March 25, 2024, 7:00 P.M.



Members Present

Gerald Gruen, Mike Gasper, Chad Biersach, and Tim Osowski

Others Present

Harbormaster Dennis Cherny

Secretary, Assistant Harbormaster Lisa Rathke

Stacey Berg, Marina Tenants Representative

1. Roll Call: (Absent: Sue Knauer and Jordan Schwanz)

2. Approve Minutes Of Previous Meeting

Ald. Gasper made a motion to approve minutes and Jerry Gruen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comments/ Appearances *Your comments are welcome. Please limit comments to (3) minutes.*

None

4. Monthly Financial Report

Secretary Rathke presented the Monthly Financial Report to the Commission for information only.

5. Consideration And Possible Action To Approve the 2023 Marina Annual Report

Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that everyone received the annual report in their agenda packet and asked if there were any questions or concerns. Member Gruen mentioned that the report was well done and that there were many advances and improvements in getting the fuel tank project taken care of, which was a major accomplishment for the marina. Ald. Mike Gasper made a motion to approve the 2023 Marina Annual Report Chad Biersach seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Consideration And Possible Action To Approve The Harbor Commission Charter For 2024

Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that everyone received the 2024 Harbor Commission Charter in their agenda packet listing our goals for the season. Ald. Gasper made a motion to approve the Harbor Commission Charter for 2024 and Chad Biersach seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Harbormaster's Report

Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that the marina did receive the grant for a new pump out system. The new 3hp system replaces the existing 2hp system.

The marina was selected for a grant opportunity through the Wisconsin Clean Marina Program and UW Sea Grant to hire a firm to develop a plan to assess options and develop conceptual and engineering designs for stormwater improvements, as well as an aquatic invasive species (AIS) removal station at Port Washington Marina.

Implementation of the improvements is not included in the scope of this project but will be pursued by the Clean Marina Program. This will come before the commission within the next couple of months.

There are a couple of boats slated to go in on opening day April 1st.

The DNR was busy delivering fish this month. 38,272 Brown trout delivered, and several deliveries of Coho totaling almost \$34,000.

Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that during the cold spell in January a couple of boards were damaged by ice in the North Slip. The ice eaters ran for about a week keeping everything open.

The water level is down a little and will hopefully come up some this summer.

Member Gruen questioned what was happening with the area north of Pier 5 along the break wall. Harbormaster Cherny mentioned that is the city's responsibility and Ald. Gasper mentioned that's a question for the city engineer. He thought the city had plans to do some restoration there, however he is not exactly sure what their plan is for that area.

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8. **Forthcoming Events**

None

9. **Marina Tenants' Comments**

Marina Tenant Representative Stacey Berg mentioned that the boaters are excited for the upcoming boating season! Stacey informed the commission that she is currently the Rear Commadore at the Yacht Club and is taking on a lot of new responsibilities. She mentioned that the Marina Tenants is an association and has asked marina tenants Bob Mueller and Craig Smith to assist her with the Marina Tenants Association and they may be present in her place if she is absent.

10. **Adjournment**

Ald. Gasper made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 pm and Tim Osowski seconded. Motion Carried unanimously.

Minutes approved by the Harbor Commission 5/28/24