

## **LA CROSSE JOINT BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS**

La Crosse County Administrative Center, Room 3220

Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011

4:30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** President- Marc Schultz, Vice President- John Fisher, Commissioner Jim Bertram, Commissioner Tom Thompson, Commissioner Wayne Oliver, City Council Member Tom Sweeney

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Capt. Michael Horstman (excused), County Supervisor Don Meyer

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** none

**STAFF/GUESTS:** Larry Kirch, City Planner, Karl Green, La Crosse County UW-Extension

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jeff Brudos (Town of Shelby) and Jacob Haupt (City Planning Intern)

Meeting called to order at 4:31 p.m.

- 1) Approval of the minutes of the December 13, 2010 meeting of the Port of La Crosse Joint Board of Harbor Commissioners.**
  - A motion was made by Tom Sweeney to approve December 13th's minutes, Wayne Oliver seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2) Public Comment**
  - None
- 3) Commissioner Comments and Concern**
  - Parking availability for Commissioners
  - Larry Kirch, from the City of La Crosse, gave update on the Harbor and Waterfront Plan
- 4) Election of Officers**
  - Tom Sweeney motioned to approve slate of officers, seconded by Thompson. Motion carried unanimously.
    - o Marc Schultz, President
    - o John Fisher, Vice President
    - o Karl Green, Secretary (non-voting)
- 5) Annual Code of Ethics Review for City Members**
  - Fisher reviewed, asked all if all City Harbor Commissioners read/reviewed the City Code of Ethics. All City representatives' present acknowledged review.
- 6) 2011 and Monthly Calendar of Events Review**
  - Election of Officers (move on calendar to the month of December)
  - Boat and Travel Show (move on calendar to the month of December)
  - Review of Municipal Harbor Ordinances (move on calendar to the month of November)
  - City/County Harbor Operating Budget (move on calendar to the month of June)
  - City/County Harbor Capital Improvement Budget (move on calendar to the month of February)
- 7) Annual Report of the Joint Board of Harbor Commissioners**
  - Reviewed draft of 2010 Annual Harbor Report
  - Motion by Sweeney to refer for 30 days. Thompson second. Motion carried unanimously.

- 8) City Ordinance regarding waterway markers**
- City to refer until March, will allow Public input (hearing)
  - Gives City and County ability to remove non-compliant buoys
  - Will it punish good actors? May, but will cover costs associated with checking compliance of buoys.
  - Mail applicable ordinance to all permit holders, alerting them of the changes in ordinances, and option for public input at next Harbor Committee.
- 9) Proposal to create "Waterway Markers and Regulatory Signage Regulations"**
- Public Hearing in February at Harbor Commission (Feb) County to pass in March cycle
  - Two different fee structures. This is because Sherriff's Patrol typically patrols Pool 8 exclusively.
    - o Discussion on \$10/marker fee in Pool 8
    - o Discussion on \$5/marker fee in Pool 7
- 10) Boat and Travel Show Discussion**
- If any Harbor Commissioner is interested in helping, contact Marion Byerson
  - John Fisher will contact Byerson regarding possible Port Plan information to be displayed at annual boat show.
- 11) County Sheriff's Annual Enforcement Report**
- Question on where do the slow-no-wake citations appear.
  - Sweeney motion Sherriff Department Boat Patrol to include number of Slow/No Wake violations. Seconded by Tom Thompson. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Question on what is included in "all other violations"?
- 12) Future Agenda Items**
- Harbor Commission to review letters to be mailed at 2/21 meeting
  - Report on Boat Show
- 13) Adjourn**
- Marc Schultz made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Wayne Oliver. The motion carried unanimously.

*Amended, 03/23/2011, Karl Green, Harbor Commission Secretary.*