

LA CROSSE JOINT BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS

La Crosse County Administrative Center

Monday, October 15, 2012

4:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marc Schultz-President, John Fisher-VP, Commissioner Donald Meyer (left at 5:35 p.m.), Commissioner Wayne Oliver (arrived 4:32 p.m.), Commissioner Steve Earp, Commissioner James Bertram, Commissioner Tom Thompson, Captain Michael Horstman, Commissioner Bob Seaquist.

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF / GUESTS: Karl Green, La Crosse County UW-Extension, Marion Beyerson, Adam Brastfield, Dan Frost, Bernie Lenz, Tyler Strelow WDNR

OTHERS PRESENT:

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m.

1. Approval of the minutes of the September 17th meeting of the Port of La Crosse Joint Board of Harbor Commissioners

- A motion was made by John Fisher, seconded by Donald Meyer to approve the September 17th minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Swift Creek Hydraulic study

- Motion by Donald Meyer, seconded by John Fisher to move study up on agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- No action taken. It was proposed for City to review former contract between GL and City of La Crosse. Could City review via City Attorney at Board of Public Works?

3. Public Comment

- No public comment.

4. Commissioner Comments and Concerns

- Kayaker letter to editor and discussion about Outdoor Recreation Alliances and the Waterways subcommittee.
- John Fisher noted he has joined the Waterways subcommittee as a representative for the Harbor Commission. John also informed all Harbor Commission members about the upcoming Outdoor Recreation Destination Summit being held on October 25th, and encouraged all Harbor Commission members to attend.

5. Review 2013 Harbor Commission final budget

- Reviewed finalized budget

6. Frac Sand presentation by Karl Green

- Due to the heavy agenda, this presentation was moved to next month.

7. Update on junk docks in Town of Shelby

- No word yet from owner (Eric Iverson), but county Harbor Commission representative has contacted the Town of Shelby, which has contacted Mr. Iverson without response.

8. 7th Street dredge update

- Dredge location was determined and located by Harbor Commission members John Fisher, Steve Earp, Marc Schultz, and Tom Thompson. Channel depth is consistent and well defined.

9. Buoy GPS – Review by Marion Beyerson

- Coast Guard Auxiliary election will create change in leadership

- Marion Beyerson – Division Commander
- Jim Bertram – Vice Division Commander
- Ann Small – Flotilla Commander
- Ron Small – Vice Flotilla Commander
- Marion Beyerson went over status of buoys on river
 - Slow No-Wake south of Cass St. bridge appear out of place
 - West side boat club (1 of the 4 is laying down)

10. Sheriff's Department Boat Patrol numbers

- 3rd year of classes on boater safety
- Sheriff's Department performed 4 community safety presentations
 - What safety equipment should be in a boat when on the open water
- WDNR has been helpful in assisting with water patrols and very willing to accommodate Sherriff's department

11. 2012 Monthly Calendar Review of Events

- Nomination of officers
- Review of municipal harbor ordinances

12. Future Agenda Items

- Harold Craig fleeting site island
- Frac Sand presentation
- Outdoor Recreation Alliance – recommendation of proposed canoe/kayak take out structure at Riverside Park near lower end of La Crosse River
- **Note: next meeting date changed to November 12th due to schedule conflicts**

13. Adjourn

A motion was made by Tom Thompson to adjourn, seconded by John Fisher. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Approved, 11/12/2012, Karl Green, Harbor Commission Secretary