

## HARBOR COMMISSION

**Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 4:30 P.M.**

@ HARBOR

(Not yet approved)

**The mission of the Harbor Commission Committee is to promote the use of the harbor and its facilities, maintain the public harbor facilities, and plan for harbor improvements.**

- 1.) Roger Reed, President, called the meeting to order.
- 2.) Roll Call: Dick Olson, Roger Reed, Nancy Rhode (+4:35), Todd Trepanier, Jim Viestenz  
Others Present: Director of Parks, Rec., and Forestry John Bostedt, Trista Hobbs/UPEA, John Mick/Hi Seas Marina, Harbor Master Gordon Olson
- 3.) **Olson motioned for approval of agenda: Viestenz called second. (4Ayes)**
- 4.) **Approval of Meeting Minutes from 7/11/2018 was set in motion by Viestenz with a second of Olson. (4 Ayes)**
- 5.) Public Input: None.
- 6.) Correspondence:
  - The Commission received correspondence concerning a Lighthouse design from Dave Duca via Director Bostedt who will respond to Duca with the result of discussion: the Commission is the wrong organization to contact.... Perhaps the Coast Guard could follow through.
  - Bostedt followed up with information about Phase 2 of maintenance to the sea wall and railing which have been double coated painted: the job will be finished in 2019. Maintenance, cost, timing, (and having been budgeted) all became a significant factor in approach to this activity. Although the cost is \$ 4,500 (under other bidding) it was still accomplished at \$1,000 under. **Olson moved approval to pay John DeCloux the bill of \$4,500 for wall painting and Rhode seconded with direction to send it to Council. (5 Ayes)**
- 7.) Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:
  - a.) 2018 Slip Rentals— All but 2 boaters are paid up; 2018 had a loss of 2 boaters but gain of 3.
  - b.) Fishing Platform @ City Docks— UPEA who supplied construction detail is waiting on our decision to begin work. Viestenz has contacted Cruisers and the Foundation (which needs proof of our efforts to find sponsorship/grants). Bostedt will make application to the Bond Foundation; Rhode will check into a micro loan with the OCED and the Oconto Economic Development Corporation will be approached by Olson. Reed will address the issue at Council. Olson shared an update on the dock built by Riverside Bar.  
Replacement of two of the old security cameras at the Harbor has been completed with both in operation. It was agreed that 1 more camera will cover all the area.
  - c.) Waterfest 2018— Discussed. Bostedt thought the crowd doubled in size. Discussion of Harbor road one way safety resulted in the Commission emphasizing that it should be in effect 2019.
  - d.) Rip-Rap ends/spoils behind light house to old river— Superintendent Wusterbarth has contacted both the Corps of Engineers and DNR so that decisions can be made.
  - e.) “No Parking” signs on handicap fishing pier— New signage was ignored and then stolen. It was suggested to paint NO PARKING on the concrete.

f.) Grant dredging update— The City of Oconto did not receive a January grant; our application will be resubmitted for the fall decision.

8.) Board Report:

a.) Marketing & Advertisement— No new updates.

b.) City Boat Ramps have been noted by fishermen/boaters: compliments.

c.) Fishing Tournaments/Special Events— Rhode expressed disappointment in the community for lack of visible attendance at the Cabela's event. In 2 years we will have it again and need City representation and welcoming. Welcome bags were collated and distributed by the OCED at the request of calls. Note: the event distributed combo kits and poles to kids. It seems no one knew and thus our absence. It would also be nice to have a food stand out there in the afternoon of the event: who? Bread by the Bay benefitted from the Sportsman's Club fishing station work. Director Bostedt announced that the City will donate \$250 to the Club for their 2 day dedication. Rhode also noted that there was a State High School event here that same weekend that the general public/community was not aware of as well.

d.) Park(s) Inspection Report [John Bostedt] We are at peak season and activity.

9.) **Approval of Accounts Payable from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 - July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 in the amount of \$4,837.26 was placed in motion by Olson with a Rhode second. (5 Ayes)**

10.) Revenue and Expenditure Guidelines were noted with minimal discussion.

11.) Next Meeting Date/Time: Wednesday, September 12 @ 4:30 p.m.  
@ Harbor (weather permitting)

12.) **Reed voiced adjournment @ 5:22 p.m. Trepanier seconded. (M/C)**

Minutes submitted by  
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