

HARBOR COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 18th, 2019 @ 4:30 P.M.

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

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.) Chairman Roger Reed called the meeting to order.
 - 2.) Roll Call: Dick Olson, Roger Reed, Nancy Rhode, Todd Trepanier, Jim Viestenz
Also Present: Director of Parks, Rec., and Forestry John Bostedt
 - 3.) **Olson called motion for approval of Agenda; Viestenz issued second. (5 Ayes)**
 - 4.) **Approval of Meeting Minutes from 8/14/2019 was summoned by Olson with a Viestenz second. (M/C)**
 - 5.) Public Input: Viestenz inquired of any input about the docks since the water table has surpassed levels for the fourth time this summer.
 - 6.) Correspondence: Rhode brought direction to the Oconto County Discovery Guide 2020. It was mentioned that Harbor pays approximately \$640 for its ad. In reviewing the latter, length of structure and distance of location were clarified within the ad. Boucher will verify the correction and printing with Administrator Perrizo.
 - 7.) **Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:**
 - a.) Causeway and Jetty @ Harbor— The south side will be approached by Superintendent Wusterbarth at the next availability. Emergency reimbursement is being sought through Administrator Perrizo.
 - b.) City Docks shoreline project— Superintendent Wusterbarth has received no quote from Foster as of yet, reports Bostedt.
 - c.) Spoils from future dredging— All depends on the decision to de-water and sell the spoils or to seek permission from the DNR to use them.
 - d.) Area across from phase #2 by marsh (where river & marsh meet) – See b.) and c.)
 - e.) Update on dredger— It has been determined that we need not reapply for the Grant or permitting: we are in the future potential choice.
 - f.) **Harbor prices for 2020**— Note Director Bostedt's handout of the 2019 Schedule for Boat Launch and Slip Rental Fees. Discussion hovered on 2019's high water table affecting launch and slip rental results. **It was determined by Rhode and seconded by Trepanier to maintain the present fee schedule for the 2020 season.**
(4 Ayes/1 Nay)
- Note: Oconto Harbor's fee schedule is lower than any area harbor.
- g.) **Harbor budget for 2020** was distributed by Director Bostedt. Expenses included utilities rising, and Fishing Tournaments as well as Capital Improvements will request carryovers. Revenue changes discussed included Transient Dock Fee as listed to \$3,000, Seasonal Slip Rentals to \$15,000, soda sales - ice sales – and pavilion rentals @ \$100 each.

(Herein Cabela's National Wildlife Tour Tournament was discussed by Rhode. July 23 and 24, 2020 Cabela will bring the event to Oconto. They are also considering the Championship to be held in Oconto 2021. Rhode shared contract expectations.)

Reed motioned to accept the 2020 proposed Budget with changes as discussed/written and with the carryovers. Olson called second. (5 Ayes)

8.) Board Report:

- a.) Marketing & Advertisement— Note Correspondence.
- b.) City Boat Ramps— Seasonal effects.
- c.) Fishing Tournaments/Special Events:
 - i. Oconto Fly In. Saturday, September 21st 9:00 am to 4:00 pm @ Oconto Douglas J. Bake Airport
 - ii. 2019 Harvest Fest, Saturday, September 28th 10:00 am to 3:00 pm on Main St.
- d.) Park(s) Inspection Report [John Bostedt] As noted, are in shape.

9.) **Olson motioned for approval of Account Payable from August 1st thru August 31st, 2019 in the amount of \$4,752.65. Trepanier placed a second. (M/C)**

10.) Revenue & Expenditure Guidelines were reviewed and found to be informational.

11.) Next Meeting Date/Time: Wednesday, October 16 @ 4:30 p.m.

12.) **Rhode set adjournment @ 6:18 p.m. Viestenz called second. (M/C)**

Minutes submitted by
Susan K. Seidl