

HARBOR COMMISSION
Wednesday, December 20th, 2023 @ 4:30 P.M.
City Hall in the Council Chambers

- 1.) Commission President Jim Viestenz called the last 2023 meeting to order.
 - 2.) Roll Call: Dick Olson, Nancy Rhode, Steve Stock, Todd Trepanier, Jim Viestenz
EXCUSED: non-voting member Paul Lukas
ALSO Present: Mayor John Panetti, Director of Park, Rec., and Forestry - John Bostedt
 - 3.) **Olson motioned approval of Agenda; Rhode called second. (5 Ayes)**
 - 4.) **Approval of Meeting Minutes from 11/29/2023 were placed in motion by Olson with a Trepanier second. (5 Ayes)**
 - 5.) Public Input: Mayor Panetti thanked the Committee for the parallel \$ match to Tourism Committee sponsorship. He also thanked Bostedt for leaving the duck hunters' dock in longer during the 2023 season. Finally, the Mayor wished the Commission members a Merry Christmas, and thanked them for their year of volunteer work.
 - 6.) Correspondence: Live Harbor Cam Views from Nov. 20 to Dec. 19, #4,231
 - 7.) **Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:**
 - a.) *Grants for Dredging* - Although there is no update, Bostedt informed that Tabby is checking into potential. At this time, she has found 1 dock grant for Holtwood for which we can apply by November, 2024. The Mayor stated that he is anticipating a grant which he hopes applies to Oconto. We are also aware that the County has a grant available: for what would that be? A launch dock with canoe access is a possible choice. The Mayor said Steve Heimerman is behind us.
 - b.) *Grant Writer* - Tabby.
 - c.) *2023 Slip Rentals/ Payments* are now closed for the 2023 season.
 - d.) *2024 Slip Rentals* - 2023 reflected 40 slips rented with all returns anticipated in 2024, as well as 2 more now. We can fill 50 slips as well as the wall with boat owner bumpers.
 - e.) *2024 Transient Boaters* - 4 are set to registrar.
 - 8.) Board Report:
 - a.) *Marketing & Advertisement* - The 2024 Oconto County Discovery Guide is out.
 - b.) *City Boat Ramps* - All have been removed. We have yet to check 4 docks for maintenance.
 - c.) *Fishing Tournaments/Special Events* - Much discussion centered on Joe Last's Tournament date which has been confirmed with Bostedt. Each Tournament coordinator must call the City to book a Tournament: YEARLY.
 - d.) *Park(s) Inspection Report [John Bostedt]* Ice accesses have been prepared with a port-a-potty available.
 - 9.) **Stock called motion to approve Accounts Payable from November 16th, 2023 through December 13th, 2023 in the amount of \$1,824.19. Olson motioned the second. (M/C)**
Technology services, newly selected @ recommendation, were explained by Bostedt. Season passes were bought for Christmas presents.
 - 10.) Revenue & Expenditure Guidelines from 2023 met with Commission approval. We need to look at raising prices for soda next season since we broke even this year... not including electricity cost.
 - 11.) **Next Meeting Date/Time: Wednesday, March 13, 2024 @ 4:30 p.m.**
 - 12.) **Rhode summoned adjournment @ 5:18 p.m. Stock witnessed second. (M/C)**
- Minutes submitted by Susan K. Seidl