

## MINUTES OF THE HARBOR COMMISSION

Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 4:30 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers

**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 Rhode called the meeting to order.
- 2.) Roll Call: Dick Olson, Nancy Rhode, Lori Stenstrup ABSENT: Ken Hayes, and Todd Trepanier ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent of Public Works Jeremy Wusterbarth
- 3.) **Stenstrup witnessed approval of Agenda; Olson motioned second. (3 Ayes)**
- 4.) **Approval of Meeting Minutes from 10/16/2024 with the correction of TEDCOR not donating but rather that it has been successful in securing a grant from Oconto County for upcoming fishing tournaments was called by Olson with a Stenstrup second. (3 Ayes)**
- 5.) **Public Input:** (Note: handout and map distribution) Wusterbarth continues the hunt for a **Harbor** fee station: we are looking into the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to work with us too, we are looking into a grant as this is a costly purchase. Wusterbarth will keep us posted. The Superintendent is also trying to alert the DNR of our parking situation while he is documenting the problem: Recreational grant? Breakwater Park, by the end of the Marsh, has had some winter damage. Wusterbarth is redoing a couple signs therein and @ City Docks. Noted also were that the docks lockbox will be attended to by Friday as well as the slips and rest of the launch will be placed. We now have a third Harbor Master. Do we need a fourth: time will tell.
- 6.) Correspondence: Live Harbor Cam Views- March 3rd- April 1st, 2025 – 22,006 views
- 7.) **Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following: Superintendent Wusterbarth**
  - a.) *2025 Slip Rentals*– All last year's renters have been contacted: 4 not returning; 2-3 new ones with 4-6 possible. This will be verified with the welcome package. Note spreadsheet handout.
  - b.) *Black Top parking @ City Docks* (Spies Road Project) Winter has settled the road which will be paved. We will be kept updated. The latter is anticipated work by the County. Thereafter landscaping and fencing a lot of the area off–
  - c.) **Rip-rap build up** (spots on causeway) We had lower water levels this year, however the issue will be observed and rectified if necessary.
  - d.) *DNR/ Emergency Parking only* (Gravel area north side of causeway) This remains a pending solution but easily accomplished.
- 8.) **Board Report:**
  - a.) *Marketing & Advertisement*– We have paid dues to Harbor Town and the Visitor's Guide, reports Rhode.
  - b.) *City Boat Ramps*– There have been a couple minor repairs. At the main boat launch void areas have been filled, however, more work needs to be completed with clean stone and concrete when the area is not so busy. Other voids due to the high water need attending as well.
  - c.) *Fishing Tournaments/Special Events* – Work has started on the 2025 Tournament Schedule which appears to have the following slated: May 23-24 Perch Derby; June 6 Truck Pulls; July 12 Joe Last's Escape Reality Walleye; August 2 Larry Behnke Sr. Memorial Walleye Shootout; August 17 Sheboygan Walleye; and an AIM pre-fish August 20 followed by Tournament the 22-23rd.
  - d.) *Park(s) Inspection Report* [John Bostedt/Jeremy Wusterbarth] No other inspection report was needed. Wusterbarth will investigate plans for a dock and new kayak launch @ Holtwood.
- 9.) **Stenstrup motioned for approval of Accounts Payable from October 11th, 2024 through April 2, 2025 in the amount of \$31,638.82. Rhode called second. (3 Ayes)**
- 10.) Revenue & Expenditure Guidelines from 2025 were studied by the Committee who found all acceptable.
- 11.) Next Meeting Date/Time: **Wednesday, May 14 @ 4:30 p.m.**
- 12.) **Olson summoned adjournment @ 5:13 p.m. Stenstrup moved for a second. (M/C)**

Minutes submitted by Susan K. Seidl