

MINUTES OF THE HARBOR COMMISSION

on Monday March 9, 2026 @ 4:00 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers

- 1.) The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Trepanier.
- 2.) Roll Call: Ron Daul, Ken Hayes, Dick Olson, Nancy Rhode (+ 4:23 p.m.), Todd Trepanier; also present: Superintendent of Public Works Jeremy Wusterbarth and Mayor Cliff Martin
- 3.) **Daul issued approval of Agenda; Hayes motioned second. (4 Ayes)**
- 4.) **Approval of Meeting Minutes from 10/01/2025 was called by Hayes and followed with a second of Olson. (4 Ayes)**
- 5.) Public Input: Wusterbarth updated the Commission on *Harbor Masters*: Larry Shallow returning, Hyka possibly returning, and the 3rd Master, Randy Smith, will be finished @ the end of June. Also noted was that we have a *Walleye mural* from the Chamber: Could it be put out by the Harbor? No one thought it an issue as long as it was not inhibiting crew cleanup. Martin stated that we have a *portrait of the U.S.S. Oconto battle ship of WWII* from the grandson (Tom Davis) of a mariner who served. Where should we mount it?
- 6.) Correspondence:
 - a.) *Walleye Forever Seasonal Pass Donation*– Wusterbarth thought we could participate, however not according to the request of a pass and parking. We'll donate a launch pass only.
 - b.) *Splinter Causeway spot repairs* have started and will be completed mid-summer. We have to look at the north and south sections in the future. A barrier will eventually be necessary as of the DNR and Army Corps of Engineers. Wusterbarth is looking into Grants.
 - c.) *2026 Slip rental update*– There has been no public kickback regarding our price changes. Presently we have 2- 50', 3- 40', and 3- 30' slips available.
- 7.) **Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:**
 - a.) *Camera repair update*– The main camera- down -has been repaired. Most of the cameras (22) are 15-16 years old.
 - b.) *Kiosk for Breakwater Park and City Docks*– Wusterbarth distributed "Benefits of having a credit card Kiosk @ Breakwater Park and City Docks boat launches in the City of Oconto" which included convenience, speed, security, efficiency, and cost-effectiveness. Presently Wusterbarth is working on a couple Grants. The Army Corps of Engineers doesn't have any, however he is looking at a Grant through Park and Rec. which would cover 30% of the cost, and seeking County and Tourism Commission funding. It has been concluded that the placement would be a revenue booster.
- 8.) **Approval of Accounts Payable from September 26, 2025 through March 2, 2026 in the amount of \$10,206.93 was placed in motion by Daul followed by a Rhode second. (5 Ayes)**
Wusterbarth also reported that the porta potty therein has been removed with no public complaints.
- 9.) Revenue & Expenditure Guidelines from 2026 were viewed and accepted as written: we are early in the New Year.
- 10.) Next Meeting Date/Time: **Wednesday, April 15 @ 4:30 p.m.**
- 11.) **Hayes summoned adjournment @ 4:30 p.m. with a Daul secondary witness. (M/C)**

Minutes submitted by Susan K. Seidl