HARBOR COMMISSION
Wednesday August 12, 2026 @ 5:00 P.M.
City Hall in the 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.

Chairman Rhode called the meeting to order.
Roll Call: Ken Hayes, Violet Hornik, Nancy Rhode, Todd Trepanier; ABSENT: Dick Olson, ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent of Public Works Jeremy Wusterbarth, and Bret Van Nuland
Hayes called motion for approval of Agenda; Trepanier motioned the second. (4 Ayes)
Approval of Meeting Minutes from 07/08/2026 was moved by Trepanier with a follow up of Rhode. (4 Ayes)
Public Input: None.
Correspondence:

a. **2026 Slip rental update**– Presently only a couple slips remain open for transients/fishing boats: "It's been a really good year," says Wusterbarth.
b. **Update on dredging projects**– Wusterbarth reports that we have identified where the dredging will happen: placement has been documented by Wusterbarth and the Army Corps of Engineers. Verifications with the DNR as to where we can use the spoils need to be cemented with 3 potential locations: the breakwall, parking lot, or City Park/beach (with a beach nourishment permit). Present cost to completely dredge will approximately be 1 million dollars: This is not in our Budget. We need another HAP Grant. Hydraulic studies from Foth and VanDyke will have to be contracted again between 2026 and 2027. Sediments in past years have been clean. Van Nuland and Wusterbarth both agreed that wind directional changes have been taking hold: a spot mechanical dredge could be a temporary fix.
c. **Update on Kiosk for Breakwater Park & City Docks**– Good news: the machines showed up yesterday. We needed 1 pad: we do have power there. The 2nd kiosk to be placed @ City Docks needs a power fix. We are hoping to do a trial run on them throughout September and October.
d. **Other updates from Jeremy Wusterbarth**– We have back to back tournaments this weekend: One with 30 boats, and the catch and release with 80 boats. It was reported that we have a new Harbor Master: Jeanie Young.
e. **HAP Program**– This Grant offers 90% of the proceeds: we are seeking it as noted in b.

Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:
Approval of Accounts Payable from July 2, 2026 through August 5, 2026 in the amount of $7,703.14 was place into motion by Hayes with a second of Hornick. (M/C) Questioned by Rhode was the chemicals use (not harmful to pets) as a geese repellent.
Revenue & Expenditure Guidelines from 2026 were in Commission packets and found to be acceptable with a little explanation from Superintendent Wusterbarth. It was noted that we intend to sealcoat the parking lots in the fall. Rhode asked about the donation of $7,000 which will have an explanation in September.
Next Meeting Date/Time: Wednesday, September 16 @ 5 p.m.
Trepanier summoned adjournment @ 5:34 p.m. Hayes witnessed a second

Minutes submitted by
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