

LA CROSSE JOINT BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS

La Crosse County Administrative Center, Room 3220

Monday, April 18, 2011

4:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marc Schultz-President, John Fisher-VP, Commissioner Tom Thompson, Commissioner Wayne Oliver, Captain Michael Horstman, Commissioner Tom Sweeney, Commissioner James Bertram, Commissioner Steve Earp

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Commissioner Don Meyer

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF/GUESTS: Karl Green, La Crosse County UW-Extension
Larry Kirch, City Planner
Ray Marinan, US Army Corps of Engineers – La Crescent Office

OTHERS PRESENT: Marion Byerson

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m.

- 1) **Approval of the minutes of the March 21, 2011 meeting of the Port of La Crosse Joint Board of Harbor Commissioners.**
 - A motion was made by Tom Thompson to approve March 21st's minutes, Mike Horstman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
 - Motion by Tom Sweeney to change the February meeting minutes. Note: January does not finalize motions. (ex. Motion carries)
 - Secretary was asked to review and make necessary changes to past January and February meeting minutes.
- 2) **Public Comment**
 - None
- 3) **Commissioner Comments and Concern**
 - a) **New membership**
 - Staff will invite new council members to attend Harbor Commission for next meeting
 - Sweeny Recommended Al Wagner as his replacement
 - b) **Meeting Minutes follow-up**
- 4) **Northside Municipal Dock Sub-lease**

Motion to allow Hanke sub-lease to be up to three years or length of City lease with Loggers- whichever is less. Motion by Sweeney, motion seconded by Thompson. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5) **Port of La Crosse Harbor and Waterfront Plan update**

Steering Committee needs to make recommendation to this group, with final approval by Harbor Commissioners, unless Steering Committee asks Harbor Commission to generate Implementation Plan.
- 6) **Buoy Permitting Issues**
 - a) **County Ordinance**

Staff reported the ordinance was passed by Executive Committee on 4/12

b) Coast Guard Auxiliary

Jurisdiction on Black and Mississippi River.

MOU- Between HC and Coast Guard Auxiliary (Marion Byerson is the Main Contact) should be drafted spelling out expectations of each party.

Coast Guard Auxiliary would appreciate reimbursement of gas

c) Buoy Permitting Letter

Letter needs to go out in May

7) Agency Reports

Ray Morrnan gave an agency report for the US Army Corps of Engineers for which he described:

Functional Groups:

- Locks and Dams
- NR Office (La Crescent)
 - Recreation Manager (Blackhawk Park) and overall river recreation
- Environmental Stewardship
 - Regulatory (involves project around water in the US)

Corps of Engineers

- Updated very recently
- Land Use Allocation Plan (LUAP)
- Firewood- EAB enforcement in "official campgrounds"

8) May 2011 Boater Safety Proclamation

Date of La Crosse Safe Boating Week is May 21-28th, 2011

9) 2011 and Monthly Calendar of Events Review

- Reviewed Calendar

10) Future Agenda Items

- Next Meeting: May 16th
- Memorandum of Understanding to be drafted by staff
- WDNR Agency Reports- water regulation/zoning and one from Env.

11) Adjourn

- Motion by Sweeney to adjourn. Seconded by Oliver. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourns at 5:51 p.m.

Approved, 05/16/2011, Karl Green, Harbor Commission Secretary.