

**DOCK REPRESENTATIVE MEETING  
SUMMARY**

**July 11, 2009**

**ATTENDANCE**

Harbormaster Tim Frame and Assistant Harbormaster of Administration Mary Ann Pawlicke were both in attendance. Board members in attendance included John Haynes, Sam Johns and Dan Messina.

Dock Representatives included:

❖	John Dickey:	100 Dock West - WP139
❖	Kathy Budzik:	200 Dock - WP249
❖	Terry Moser:	200 Dock - WP252
❖	Allen Finke:	300 Dock - WP303
❖	Leo Barney:	400 Dock - WP419
❖	Keith Logan:	600 Dock - WP636, 638, 640
❖	Dick Morland:	700 Dock - WP7063
❖	Kathy Sass:	800 Dock - WP8046

Guest attending was Kevin Farthing.

**DISCUSSION FROM HARBORMASTER**

Harbormaster Tim Frame discussed the following topics with the group:

During the previous meeting the group was informed all umbrellas at picnic tables had been provided with a bungee tie to keep them in place when not in use. Just a reminder to use them as apparently one of the umbrellas was not tied down and was damaged in the wind.

The first Port Authority commercial will be aired on channel 56 of the public access station. A second commercial will be aired during early fall to include information on winter storage and 2010 season slip rentals.

Links have been added to the Port Authority website to include information on the various charters in the marina.

The fireworks are scheduled for tomorrow (Sunday, July 12). Be advised that parking usually fills up by 3:00 p.m., so availability cannot be guaranteed. Once the park lots are full, the park department will no longer allow vehicles to enter; visitors can park out past City Hall and walk in. Additional dumpsters have been placed by the launch ramp and will be removed by Tuesday morning. The Coast Guard and Long Beach Police will be closing the basin entrance and channel approximately 8:30 p.m. and reopen approximately 15 or 20 minutes after the fireworks are completed. Roads exiting the park will all be one-way and the draw bridge may stay open for 15 minutes at a time to clear the harbor. We will also provide security throughout the weekend to monitor marina parking areas.

**DISCUSSION FROM DOCK REPRESENTATIVES**

Kathy Sass mentioned she had witnessed the water running from the outside 800 dock public shower for some time, and noticed it had finally been shut off today. Harbormaster Frame informed her those showers are maintained solely by the Park Department. When inquiring about how often the restrooms were cleaned, Assistant Harbormaster Pawlicke informed her the Port Authority janitor cleaned every day except Tuesday's and a crew from CINTAS comes each Tuesday to steam and sanitize all the floors and tile in each bathhouse.

Mrs. Sass thanked the staff for keeping the 'over flow' gate open next to the ramp to make room for additional parking during high traffic.

Mrs. Sass requested that a copy of the 'Calendar of Events' be posted at the 500 dock bulletin board along with the minutes to board and dock representative meetings.

Per Mrs. Sass' inquiry about dock cart rails, Harbormaster Frame informed her he does not want to install these as they do not keep the carts in place; they tend to blow over and consequently roll around. Instead he will look into installing paver blocks over the winter to keep the carts in a secured position.

Dick Morland complimented the staff for cleaning and maintaining the area surrounding the duck walk stating the new ordinance that prohibits feeding of birds has made a big difference in the appearance and cleanliness of the area. Harbormaster Frame did inform the group that signs are on order and will be posted. He went on to mention the one unforeseen consequence has been the eating of the newly planted dune grass by the geese. A spray repellent called 'Goose Chase', which contains a grape concentrate derivative (apparently geese don't care for grapes!) has been applied to combat this problem.

Mrs. Sass went on to inquire about having a cleanup crew to remove the debris that accumulates in the water along the docks; the harbormaster asked that if anyone has a general maintenance concern, to simply notify the office right away and we will have a staff member take care of the situation as soon as they are available. Keith Logan suggested the seasonal crew could do a daily removal of the debris along with a general cleanup of all dock carts. Although the harbormaster did not have an issue with doing this, he did state that the cleanliness of dock carts was more the responsibility of each slip holder; they need to be emptied of trash and rinsed out after use where necessary.

Keith Logan mentioned a slip holder had their dog in the men's shower, but the harbormaster informed him no one had reported anything to the office. *Note: Pets are not permitted inside any of the Port Authority buildings as per page seven (7) of the rules & regulations booklet.*

Per discussion regarding the repair of concrete at the 600 dock, Harbormaster Frame informed Keith Logan that additional repairs were scheduled for July 27<sup>th</sup>.

Keith Logan inquired about the rules regarding grilling on the docks. Rules on cooking per page five (5) of the rules & regulations booklet:

**Use of charcoal or wood hibachis or gas type portable cooking equipment is prohibited except in specifically authorized areas that are not on docks, on boats or near flammables.**  
**Electric grills are only permitted on the 700 and 800 docks only as they are concrete surfaces.**  
**They are not permitted on any wooden docks.**  
**Free standing grills are not permitted on your vessel.**  
**For your convenience the Port Authority provides several community shore side grills for slip holders on a first come first serve basis.**

Harbormaster Frame informed the representatives that although he does not mind if small temporary shelters or tents are set up, they **MUST** be taken down and stored when not in use. **Absolutely no structures are permitted to be bolted into the docks on a permanent basis.** When unattended, they can blow over and cause damage to docks and boats and damage to the docks due to the drilling of holes.

Per inquiry, plans for the new NIPSCO launch ramp is progressing; once completed the public ramp at Washington Park will no longer be in use, however there will be no changes to the Trail Creek facility. The new ramp area will be for launch and parking use only, it is not designed for additional storage or dry-stack use.

Kathy Sass informed the harbormaster she has witnessed a group of teenagers kicking lamp posts, deactivating the sensors and suggested he inform the Park Board and M.C.P.D.

Per an inquiry from Leo Barney regarding the work being done at Millennium Plaza, Harbormaster Frame informed the group a condition of undermining along the seawall has caused erosion of concrete at the west end corner of the plaza

and near Franklin Street Bridge, as well as the footers along the seabed. Divers have been employed and preliminary inspections have begun and a security fence has been installed around the sidewalk. *Abonmarche Group* will complete construction documents for an Engineering proposal bid packet and the project should be completed over the winter.

Mr. Dickey inquired about the Trail Creek dredge project and although the status has not changed, according to the Army COE elevation data, they would dredge a depth of six feet (6') beginning at the E Street bridge to ten feet (10') deep at Franklin Street Bridge. However we are hopeful to have them over dredge to a depth of seven feet (7') with a thousand foot length to be used as a silt trap. Harbormaster Frame went on to state there is a 60% likelihood the project will begin next year. Sam Johns explained in addition to financial setbacks, one obstacle stems from a personnel change within the Army Corp. which the Port Authority has dealt with in the past. Harbormaster Frame went on to suggest the boaters could rally some type of petition to Congressman Donnelly's office requesting the project be fast tracked. The representatives also suggested this be posted on the Port Authority website.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting concluded at 11:00 a.m.