

**MICHIGAN CITY PORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

February 8, 2010

TIME & PLACE

The regular meeting of the Michigan City Port Authority Board of Directors was called to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Port Authority board room.

ATTENDANCE

President James Jaksa presided. Board members in attendance included James Cadwell, Jonita Davis and Todd Dickard. Harbormaster Tim Frame, Assistant Harbormaster of Administration Mary Ann Pawlicke and Assistant Harbormaster of Operations Dan Hoepf were also in attendance.

Board members John Haynes, Sam Johns and Dan Messina were unable to attend this meeting.

Attorney Jeffrey Katz was unable to attend this meeting.

Guests in attendance included Tom Londrigan representing the *Star Fleet* and Herb Philbrick, *M.C.Y.C. Vice Commodore of Sail*.

MINUTES

Upon motion made by Jonita Davis, seconded by Todd Dickard, the board approved the minutes to the previous meeting.

GUEST COMMENTS

Washington Park Marina slip holder Tom Londrigan, who is representing Star Fleet Charters, gave a short history of the sail boats and informed the board, as most members of this district were harbored on inland waters, they are interested in branching out to Lake Michigan, specifically to coordinate in and out of Michigan City. The members are concerned however of the status of the two (2) dry sail hoists located behind Harbor Grill. Mr. Londrigan stated the Fleet is expecting five (5) to ten (10) vessels that would like to have one hoist available along with trailer parking during their District Championship at the end of June. Per Mr. Jaksa request, Mr. Londrigan will put a proposal together to be submitted to Harbormaster Frame.

BILLS

Upon motion made by Todd Dickard, seconded by James Cadwell, the board approved payment of the bills as presented.

REPORT FROM HARBORMASTER

Harbormaster Tim Frame informed the board he participated in a tele-conference of the *Army Corp. of Engineers (ACOE)* annual shallow draft stake holders meeting last week, which included a presentation of the *Great Lakes Small Harbor Coalition*. Harbormaster Frame informed the board, the coalition is an organization that bans together various small harbors, to lobby congress for federal funds, for maintaining navigational access through dredging. (fact sheet submitted). The Harbormaster explained to the board, there is no cost involved to become a member of the coalition, and you can cancel membership at any time, and went on to give his recommendation.

REPORT FROM ASSISTANT HARBORMASTERS

Assistant Harbormaster of Operations Dan Hoepf informed the board of the following:

- The maintenance staff was still working on refurbishment of the Sprague Pointe Marina finger piers weather permitting.
- Completed maintenance and painting of the hydraulic trailers.
- Completed painting of the small red fork lift.
- Will commence with repairs to the Trail Creek lift well docks.
- *Heston Cable* certified the gantry hoist last Friday.
 - Two (2) cables will need to be replaced.
- Safety report: 590 days (6,715 hours) without an incident and 1,626 days (18,183 hours) without a lost time accident.

Assistant Harbormaster of Administration Mary Ann Pawlicke reported on the following:

- Fuel bids to be opened during February 22nd board meeting.
- Café bids to be opened during March 1st board meeting.
 - Thirty one (31) notifications were sent out to local restaurants.
 - Five (5) have submitted bids thus far.
 - Three (3) of which have toured the facility.
- Although initially interested, the Parks & Recreation Department informed Assistant Harbormaster Pawlicke they would not submit a bid this year as they are taking on both the Zoo and Patriot Park this season, and it would be too much of an undertaking.
- Advertising Committee to meet on Wednesday, February 10th at 3:00 p.m. in the board room.
- Slip availability; thirty nine (39) in Washington Park Marina.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

On behalf of the ***Budget and Financial Oversight Committee***, Todd Dickard had nothing to report.

On behalf of the ***Claims and Insurance Committee***, James Cadwell had nothing to report.

There was no report for the ***Master Planning and Special Projects Committee***.

There was no report for the ***Boater Communications and Special Events Committee***.

There was no report for the ***Port Operations, Personnel and Marina Policy Committee***.

On behalf of the ***Public Relations and Advertising Committee***, Jonita Davis informed the board the committee would discuss the advertisement in *Scuttlebutt Magazine* and the direction they should take in 2010, during Wednesdays' meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Todd Dickard inquired as to the status of the Millennium Park Seawall Refacing Project; Harbormaster Frame informed the board he spoke with Liz Pelosi from IDEM who informed him the thirty (30) day period for public comment on the project ended last Friday. One comment was received from the County regarding the stone used for fill between the old and new wall. There is concern if lyme stone is used, it could leak calcium into the water. Ms. Pelosi stated, if we agree to change the stone without argument, she could continue processing. Once approved by IDEM, Harbormaster Frame, along with Rick Smigielski from Abonmarche believes both the ACOE and DNR will approve as well.

In reference to the trail creek dredge project, Harbormaster Frame informed the board additional soil testing will be completed as soon as the channel can be accessed. Tentative date is scheduled for February 25th. He went on to say both the upper dredge project and NIPSCO Ramp projects are pending additional testing.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss during this meeting,

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion made by James Cadwell, seconded by Todd Dickard, the board adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Haynes, Board Secretary

Approved On: _____
Date

By: _____
James Jaksa, Board President