

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY December 1, 2022
8:00a.m. at Emergency Services Building
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Michael Childers, Carol Neubauer, Mike Anderson, Michael Collins, Evan Erickson Jr., Zach Montagne, Pete Ross

Public Present: Michael Kuchta

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Michael Childers at 8:00am.
2. Roll Call: Members present as listed above.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Zoom Call, Attorney Robert Anderson, Discuss NDA and possible approval: Attorney Burns worked with Madeline Island Ferry Line (MIFL) Attorney Bers on provisions. Both parties agree on latest version. Discussion on some grey area on which documents may be subject to records requests and when they would be open to the public. Motion by M. Anderson to approve the Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) and have commissioners sign (other parties/ financial firms will also need to sign if they are to view the information), second by Peter Ross, All in favor, Motion Carried.
5. Minutes
 - a. Approval of Minutes, 11 17 2022: Incorrect date in header. Motion by M. Collins to approve minutes as corrected, second by M. Anderson, all in favor, Motion Carried.
6. Harbor Commission Secretary Job Recommendation and possible approval: Peter Ross recused himself and left the room. Discussion on applicants. Motion by Z. Montagne to hire Lauren Burtaux as secretary starting 12/5/22 with a wage of \$25/hour and hours not to exceed 600 annually (to be reviewed as workload is unknown), second by M. Anderson, all in favor (PR not present), Motion Carried. Space at Town Hall will be available for the secretary, but the Harbor Commission will be responsible for furniture and supplies.
7. Committees – Updates: A representative from Baker Tilly for financial analysis will meet with the Commission possibly at the next meeting. M. Collins reported on his communication with State officials on including the Harbor Commission in the Governor’s budget.
8. Offers of Assistance – Updates: M. Childers and M. Kuchta (Town Administrator) reported on a meeting with the WI Department of Transportation on having Ferry Lines included in the economic impact report. E. Erickson reported his

- communication with a possible valuation company who can assess the boats and provide a valuation.
9. Maritime Attorney discussion: Discussion on getting proposals maritime attorneys to discover what the needs of such a counsel will be for passenger vessels, in hopes that the attorney could be regional instead of on the east coast.
 10. Approval of Bills: Town bills to pay: one from Davis Kerlthau (legal) for \$383. Second from Von Bressen (legal) for \$812.50. M. Anderson motions to approve the bills, E. Erickson seconds, all in favor, Motion Carried.
 11. Future Agenda Items: Conversation with Baker Tilly, asset vs. equity acquisition, Information from MIFL and a conversation on what they want.
 12. Meeting Dates: Thursday December 8, 2022, at 8:00am at the Emergency Services Building.
 13. Adjourn: Motion by Z. Montagne to adjourn, second by M. Collins, all in favor, Motion Carried. Adjourned at 8:58am.

Respectfully submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.
Minutes approved as presented on December 8th, 2022. L. Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.