

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY February 23, 2023
8:00a.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Michael Childers, Carol Neubauer, Mike Anderson, Michael Collins, Pete Ross, Zach Montagne

Commissioners Absent: Evan Erickson, Jr.

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, *Harbor Commission Secretary*

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 8:00am by M. Childers.
2. Roll Call: Members present as listed above.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Minutes
 - a. Approval of Minutes, 1 26 23; 1 28 23; 2 16 2023: Z. Montagne suggests a modification to add “paid” parking in minutes from 2 16 23. Motion to approve minutes from 2 16 23 with modification, and the minutes from 1 26 and 1 28 as presented, by M. Anderson, seconded by Z. Montagne, all in favor, 6 ayes, Motion Carried.
5. MIFL Operating Agreement: Discussion regarding elements and approach for the MIFL Operating Agreement – Commissioner Ross. Closed Session: Motion to go into closed session by M. Anderson, seconded by P. Ross roll call vote: 6 ayes, in closed session at 8:07am. Motion to come out of closed session by M. Anderson, seconded by M. Collins; 6 ayes, Motion Carried and back in open session at 8:48am.
6. Review and approve recommended Financial Services Firm – Commissioner Neubauer: There have been four phone interviews with CPA firms, and it has been narrowed down to two: Ehlers Inc. and one other firm. C. Neubauer will present the final selection at the next meeting. Discussion of whether to have a valuation of the ferry line done right away. C. Neubauer would like to have another financial workshop to discuss further details that may help determine whether a valuation is necessary.
7. Committees – Updates:
 - a. The RAISE grant application will be submitted by Friday, 2/24. 18 letters of support have been submitted to the Harbor Commission, including bipartisan support. M. Collins suggests a list of particulars and guiding principles for the Harbor Commission which may help the upcoming months and decision making; this will be an item for the next meeting. A letter for the Gazette needs to be submitted soon.

8. Offers of Assistance – Updates
 - a. The Governor’s office has released, through WisDOT Harbor and Waterways, the Harbor Assistance program for 2023. Program Director, Mike Halsted reached out to M. Childers with information. This will be an item for a future meeting.
9. Approval of Bills: One bill to be approved from YWS Technology for \$1,500 which covers secretary computer and hours to set it up. Motion to approve bill by M. Anderson, seconded by C. Neubauer, all in favor, 6 ayes Motion Carried.
10. Future Agenda Items: M. Collins document of particulars. C. Neubauer will propose a recommendation for a financial firm. Schedule a financial workshop in mid-March.
11. Meeting Dates: Next meeting date set for Thursday, March 2nd, 2023, at 8:00am.
12. Adjourn: Motion by M. Collins to adjourn meeting, seconded by Z. Montagne, all in favor, 6 ayes, Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, March 2nd, 2023. L. Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.