

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY May 4th, 2023
9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom
Approved Minutes

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

Commissioners Absent: Michael Childers

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, *Harbor Commission Secretary*

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:00am by C. Neubauer.
2. Roll Call: Members present as listed above.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Phone Call with Senator Baldwin's Office, Kelsey Nugent: Congressional Directed Spending (CDS): Ben Hutterer and Kelsey Nugent: The HC was not granted CDS this cycle. Discussion of why and eligibility. Questions from Commissioners to understand CDS better, including future possibilities for funding.
5. Minutes. 4/27/23: Motion to approve minutes as presented by M. Anderson, seconded by M. Collins. Suggestion by L. Burtaux to add the reason for going into closed session and the state statute of closed session. Roll call vote to approve with corrections, 5 ayes, all in favor and motion carried. Z. Montagne abstaining from approval due to absence at 4/27 meeting.
6. Committees – Updates:
 - a. President: None.
 - b. Communications: M. Collins will have a phone call with Senator Quinn's office to discuss funding from the joint financing committee.
 - c. Operating Agreement: Closed Session to discuss updates on Operations Agreement: Motion by P. Ross to go into closed session, seconded by M. Anderson, roll call vote, 6 ayes, all in favor and in closed session at 9:25am. Motion to come out of closed session by E. Erickson, seconded by M. Collins, roll call vote, 6 ayes, all in favor and out of closed session at 9:34am.
 - d. Purchase Agreement: C. Neubauer has been in touch with real estate appraiser. He is almost complete with his appraisal. Plans to have discussion with Ehlers Inc. to discuss the preliminary funding scenarios.
 - e. Other: E. Erickson reported that there have been three MIFL deckhands who have passed their Master Captain course and will continue to get hours to receive their official Master Captain license.

This meeting may, upon duly made motion, be convened in closed session under State Statute 19.85 (1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. If the Commission goes into closed session; it will reconvene in open session before adjourning.

7. Offers of Assistance – Updates: None.
8. Approval of Bills: None.
9. Future Agenda Items: Update on discussions of operations agreement in closed session. Potential for closed session to review and discuss some financial structures/scenarios from Ehlers Inc.
10. Meeting Dates: Thursday, May 11th, 2023, at 9am.
11. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn meeting by M. Collins, seconded by E. Erickson, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:37am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, May 11th, 2023, L. Burtaux.