

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY December 7th, 2023
9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom
Approved Minutes

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

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:00am by M. Childers.
2. Roll Call: Members present as listed above.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Minutes 11/30/23 & 12/5/23: Motion by M. Anderson to approve minutes as presented, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, no discussion, Motion Carried.
5. Committees – Updates:
 - a. President:
 - i. M. Childers met with the Department of Natural Resources and the Town’s Public Works Department on Monday, 12/4/23, to discuss the logistics of managed forest efforts which will take place in 2024.
 - ii. Updated from Madeline Island Ferry Line (MIFL) regarding future business. The Bayfield Harbor dock lease for 2024 has been paid. Cal Linehan (from MIFL) will attend the Passenger Vessel Association annual meeting in January.
 - iii. The Harbor Commission attorney, Tim Feldhausen and bond attorney, Bob Toftey will meet with attorney Steve Bers (MIFL) to discuss the changes in the management agreement that are required to keep the tax-exempt status of the Harbor Commission.
 - b. Communications: None.
 - c. Operating Agreement: None.
 - d. Purchase Agreement: Bremer Bank requested two narratives and balance sheets to support the financial modeling. M. Collins will help write narrative from the Harbor Commission; Ehlers will provide narrative for their financial modeling.
 - e. Other: None.
6. Future Needs and Operations: None.
7. Offers of Assistance: C. Neubauer has had interest in the note anticipation notes and plans to get a letter and packet sent out to interested parties.

8. Approval of Bills: One bill from Amundsen Davis for October lawyer fees in the amount of \$2,478.00. Motion by M. Anderson to approve and pay bill for \$2,478.00, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, Motion Carried.
9. Future Agenda Items: Future needs and operation discussion including job description for Harbor Master position.
10. Meeting Dates: Tuesday, December 12th at 9am.
11. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn meeting by C. Neubauer, seconded by M. Anderson, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:19am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, December 12th, 2023, L. Burtaux.