TOWN OF LA POINTE Board of Harbor Commissioners THURSDAY February 1st, 2024 9:00 am at Town Hall and via Zoom Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Michael Collins, Michael Childers, Carol Neubauer, Pete Ross, Evan Erickson Jr., Zach Montagne, Mike Anderson **Staff Present**: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary, Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator

Public Present: Paul Brummer, Jim Peters

- 1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:00am by M. Childers.
- 2. Roll Call: Members, staff, and public present as listed above.
- 3. Public Comment: Paul Brummer made a public comment on behalf of himself and Charles Brummer; see attached. P. Brummer stated that he would like to see the ferry line no longer a member of the Madeline Island Chamber of Commerce.
- 4. Minutes 1/25/2024: Motion by M. Anderson to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried.
- 5. Committees Updates
 - a. President: The town dock lease agreement, moving from Madeline Island Ferry Line (MIFL) to the Harbor Commission, will be discussed at the next meeting.
 - b. Communications: M. Collins has been working with Rob Karwath on grant research and writing.
 - c. Other: The appointment of the managing director position is postponed for the next few weeks.
- 6. Madeline Island Ferry Line/Harbor Commission Policy on Marketing & Special Event Discount Fares: Discussion on what type of discounts are currently provided for events. Consensus that a briefing from MIFL of the current discount event rates would be helpful to make more informed decisions.
- 7. Middle Rd. Property: Discussion of the property and pros/cons to selling it versus keeping it. Conclusion that it is premature to make any decision.
- 8. Update on Financing: C. Neubauer has been working with Ehlers to complete the financial model, which has been altered due to the application for the Board of Commissioners of Public Land Loan for \$4.9 million.
- 9. Offers of Assistance Updates: None.
- 10. Approval of Bills: None.

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- 11. Future Agenda Items: Lease of town dock.
- 12. Meeting Dates: Thursday, February 8th, 2024, at 9am.
- 13. Adjourn: Motion by M. Collins to adjourn the meeting, seconded by M. Anderson, all in favor, motion carried. The meeting is adjourned at 9:40am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary. Minutes approved as presented on February 8th, 2024, L. Burtaux.