

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY March 6th, 2025
9:00 a.m. at Town Hall and Live via YouTube
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Michael Collins, Zach Montagne, Glenn Carlson, Evan Erickson Jr. (via Zoom), Susan Widmar, Jay Wiltz

Commissioners Absent: Pete Ross

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary, Katie Kisner, Chief Administrative Officer, Max Imholt, Town Administrator

Public Present: Cal Linehan (via Zoom), Robin Trinko Russell (via Zoom), John Carlson, Charley Brummer

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9am by Z. Montagne.
2. Roll Call: All members, staff and public present as listed above.
3. Public Comment A*: None.
4. Minutes – 2/27/25: Motion by Z. Montagne to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried.
5. Chief Administrative Officer Report – Katie Kisner: Discussion on hose crimper and Board of Commissioners of Public Land loan payment/transfer. Motion by Z. Montagne to put the CAO report on file, seconded by S. Widmar, all in favor, motion carried.
6. Update on Ferry Operations: The ferry boats will try to break through today, 3/6. If it takes too long today, they will try again next week.
7. Harbor Assistance Program Grant Update: Nothing.
8. Consider Short Term Loan from Town: Discussion on the amount needed based on cash flow. The Town is looking to get a loan from Bremer Bank or the Board of Commissioners of Public Land for their capital projects.
9. Review and Approval of Submission for 2025 Tariffs: G. Carlson noted a small edit on the cover sheet, otherwise, this is set for submission to the Railroad Commission.
10. Review of MIFL Management Contract: Motion by J. Wiltz to move this item to after item #14, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.

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.

11. Approval of Bills: Motion by Z. Montagne to approve the bills in the amount of \$101,554.97, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.
12. Future Agenda Items: HAP update, loan from Town, review statement for MIFL regarding increased tariffs.
13. Meeting Dates: Thursday, March 20th at 9am.
14. Public Comment B**:
 - a. John Carlson questioned the tariff for the refrigerator truck and employee driving it. He made comments on student/teacher passes and the boat maintenance.
 - b. Max Imholt asked if the cash flow analysis always required a short-term loan from the Town.

#10: Review of MIFL Management Contract: Nothing.

15. Adjourn: Motion by Z. Montagne to adjourn, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:34am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved as presented on Thursday, March 20th, 2025, L. Burtaux.