

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
THURSDAY July 24th, 2025
9a.m. at Town Hall and Live via YouTube
Approved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Michael Collins, Zach Montagne, Glenn Carlson, Evan Erickson Jr., Jay Wiltz, Susan Widmar, Mary Ross

Staff Present: Lauren Burtaux, Harbor Commission Secretary, Katie Kisner, Chief Administrative Officer

Public Present: Cal Linehan (via Zoom), Robin Trinko-Russell, Evan Erickson Sr.

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9am by Z. Montagne.
2. Roll Call: All members, staff and public as listed above.
3. Public Comment A*: Evan Erickson Sr. questioned the Island housing for on-call emergency captains.
4. Minutes – 7/14/25: Motion by M. Collins to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Z. Montagne, all in favor, motion carried.
5. Chief Administrative Officer Report – Katie Kisner: Discussion on the Madeline repairs. It will need to be hauled out this fall for further repairs. Question if homeschool students (Island residents) can receive free ferry, clarification that they are not allowed to have free ferry passage but will get the same rate as the students. *Homeschool students will receive the same summer ridership privileges as the Island resident students.*
6. Harbor Assistance Program Project Updates: The DNR permit has been obtained. Janke construction will start 8/13/25 and hopes to be completed by 8/29/25.
7. Review Dockside Lease Agreement Requests: Discussion on the property tax payments that are on the lease for Trek and Trail, but not on the Dockside lease. K. Kisner will see if this was on the original Dockside lease.
8. Repayment of Loan to Town: The Town Board had approved the loan to be extended. Motion by G. Carlson to pay back the loan at \$300,000 plus interest by July 31st, seconded by M. Ross, all in favor, motion carried.
9. Approval of Bills: Motion by G. Carlson to approve the bills in the amount of \$192,210.20, seconded by Z. Montagne, M. Ross opposes, motion carried.
10. Future Agenda Items: Bayfield School District Contract, Dockside Lease, HAP Updates, Big Top Chataqua Special Boats, Lease for On Call Coverage.
11. Meeting Dates: Monday, August 4th at 4:30pm.

12. Public Comment B**: Z. Montagne stated that there has been a request for a late boat for the Big Top show with Bonnie Raitt. This would require about 30+ people and car revenue.
13. Review of MIFL Management Contract: Motion by G. Carlson to go into closed session, seconded by M. Ross, roll call vote, 7 ayes, motion carried. Meeting in closed session at 9:41am.

Motion by G. Carlson to come out of closed session, seconded by J. Wiltz, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting in open session at 10:04am.

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.

14. Adjourn: Motion by Z. Montagne to adjourned meeting, seconded by M. Collins. Meeting adjourned at 10:04am.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Burtiaux, Harbor Commission Secretary.
Minutes approved with edits in italics on Monday, August 4th, 2025.