

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
Monday November 10th, 2025
4:30pm at Town Hall and Live via YouTube
Approved Minutes

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

Staff Present: Katie Kisner, Chief Administrative Officer and Interim Harbor Secretary

Public Present: Cal Linehan(via Zoom), Robin Russell, Charlie Brummer, Paul Brummer

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 4:30pm by Z. Montagne.
2. Roll Call: All members, staff and public present as listed above.
3. Public Comment A*: Paul Brummer states, “Go Pack Go” and thanks the Harbor Commission for having an evening meeting.
4. Minutes-10/23/25: Motion by M. Collins to approve the 10/23/25 minutes as presented, seconded by M. Ross, all in favor, motion carried.
5. Chief Administrative Officer Report – Katie Kisner: MIFL LLC informed the Harbor Commission of the two upcoming trips they are planning to take. It was recommended that Richard Kula join the February PVA Meeting where discussions on potential grant opportunities occur. Motion by Z. Montagne to put the CAO report on file, seconded by S. Widmar, all in favor, motion carried.
6. Harbor Assistance Program Project Updates: Cal Linehan states that there are no major updates except for the Cooper Engineering change order. If the Harbor Commission decides to approve, it will be submitted with other bills in one large reimbursement request.
7. Consider 2025 Tariff Amendments: Motion by G. Carlson to approve the 2025 Tariff Amendments as presented, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried.
8. Consider Cooper Engineering Change Order Proposal: Motion by G. Carlson to approve the proposed change order from Cooper Engineering, seconded by Z. Montagne, all in favor, motion carried.
9. Review Draft Letter to Mayor of Bayfield: Motion by J. Wiltz to approve and send the draft letter to the Mayor of Bayfield, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.
10. Review Draft Letter to Bayfield School District: Motion by M. Collins to approve and send the draft letter to the Bayfield School District, seconded by Z. Montagne, all in favor, motion carried.

11. Consider Bayfield Top-end Repair Quotes: Motion by Z. Montagne to approve the top-end repairs on the Bayfield, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.
12. Discussion Regarding Memorial Wheel: G. Carlson states that there is a small group of people that would like to work together to add the ships wheel to the herring shed as a memorial to both Gary Russell and the history of the ferry line. Cal Linehan states that MIFL, LLC would be happy to cover costs associated with the memorial.
13. Discussion on Middle Rd. Property Buildings: Consensus that the Harbor Commission will send out a letter requesting all personal items be removed from the buildings on the property.
14. 2026 Budget Updates: A consensus from the Budget Committee that the Harbor Commission will not need to request an increase to the tax levy.
15. Approval of Bills: Motion by Z. Montagne to approve bills in the amounts of \$225,394.61, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.
16. Future Agenda Items: Travel Forms for Rich Kula, 2026 Budget Updates
17. Meeting Dates: Thursday November 20th, 2025 at 9am and Monday December 8th, 2025 at 4:30pm.
18. Public Comment B**: Cal Linehan states that it's getting to the time of the year when the weather worsens and there are more cancellations and delayed trips. MIFL LLC would like to provide statistics collected since 2010 on how likely it is for customers to experience this, what are the factors, and how MIFL LLC makes the decision to delay or cancel.
19. Review of MIFL Management Contract: Motion by Z. Montagne to go into closed session, seconded by G. Carlson, roll call vote, 6 ayes, 1 absent, motion carried.
Meeting in closed session at 5:12pm.

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.

Motion by G. Carlson to go back into open session, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting in open session at 5:43pm.

20. Adjourn: Motion by M. Collins to adjourn, seconded by J. Wiltz, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:43pm.

Respectfully submitted by Katie Kisner, Interim Harbor Commission Secretary, Monday November 10th, 2025.

Minutes approved as presented Thursday November 20th, 2025. K.Kisner.