

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
Thursday November 20th, 2025
9am at Town Hall and Live via YouTube
Approved Minutes

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

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

Public Present: Cal Linehan(via Zoom at 9:06am)

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 – 11/10/25- Motion by J. Wiltz to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.
5. Chief Administrative Officer Report – Katie Kisner: Free Ferry Day flyers will be distributed the week of Thanksgiving. Michael Collins has started a draft for the structure of the December 8th meeting. He will distribute this to the Harbor Commission to discuss at the next meeting. Motion by Z. Montagne to place the CAO Report on file, seconded by E. Erickson Jr, all in favor, motion carried.
6. Harbor Assistance Program Project Updates: Cal Linehan states that there are no major updates. He will be submitting a reimbursement request today and is working with Cooper Engineering on an outline for the dredging portion of the HAP project.
7. Consider Madeline Fire Suppression System Project Quote: Cal Linehan explains that there are different methods of systems and installation available for up to \$35,000. There will be no reduction in insurance costs with this system and he estimates this will be required by the USCG on Subchapter T vessels within the next 3 years. Motion by Z. Montagne for MIFL LLC to proceed forward with a matching system to the one on the Bayfield if under \$35,000, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried. The Harbor Commission requests a purchase order and additional information about the fire suppression system to be provided.
8. Authorize PVA Travel for Richard Kula: Motion by Z. Montagne to approve the PVA travel for Richard Kula, seconded by S. Widmar, all in favor, motion carried.
9. 2026 Budget Updates: The next budget committee meeting will be on Monday November 24th, 2025. The budget committee hopes to determine the tariff percentage increase needed at that time. Katie Kisner recommends for the Harbor Commission Tariff Committee meet once that percentage is decided upon.

10. Approval of Bills: Motion by Z. Montagne to approve the bills in the amount of \$1,237,913.52, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried. E. Erickson requests that MIFL make sure that tax is removed from fuel purchases with MIFL credit cards.
11. Future Agenda Items: Madeline Fire Suppression System Quote, 2026 Budget Updates, 2026 Schedule.
12. Meeting Dates: Tuesday December 2nd, 2025 at 9am
13. Public Comment B**: Zach Montagne wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Evan Erickson Jr. thanks the MIFL crew for working on Thanksgiving.
14. Review of MIFL Management Contract: Motion by E. Erickson to enter closed session, seconded by Z. Montagne, roll call vote, 6 ayes, 1 absent, motion carried. Meeting in closed session at 9:56am.

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 Z. Montagne, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting in open session at 10:16am.

15. Adjourn: Motion by Z. Montagne to adjourn, seconded by S. Widmar, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:16am.

Respectfully submitted by Katie Kisner, Interim Harbor Commission Secretary, Thursday November 20th, 2025.

Minutes approved as presented Thursday December 18th, 2025. K.Kisner.