

TOWN OF LA POINTE
Board of Harbor Commissioners
Monday May 11th, 2026
4:30pm at Town Hall and Live via YouTube
Approved Minutes

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

Staff Present: Katie Kisner, Chief Administrative Officer and Interim Harbor Commission Secretary, Richard Kula, Zoning Administrator

Public Present: Cal Linehan(via Zoom), Charlie Brummer, Paul Brummer, Tim Eldred

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*: Tim Eldred states that it's getting close to the time to negotiate a new contract and he wants to suggest that the Town be the ones to run the ferry line. If the ferry line employees became Town employees they would receive the great state benefits. Paul Brummer thanks the Harbor Commission for having an evening meeting. He wanted to remind the Finance Task Force that there are limits as to what they can invest in and provides a print off of the state statutes.
4. Minutes – 4/23/26: Motion by G. Carlson to approve as presented, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried. M Ross abstains.
5. Chief Administrative Officer Report – Katie Kisner: Cal provided an update of the HAP ramp project. He will be bringing the contract to Nelson Construction and plans for the dredging and piling portion to be done by the end of June. MIFL LLC is also getting other bids together for the painting of the Herring Shed due to Distinctive Painting stating they might not be able to do it. Motion by G. Carlson to put the CAO report on file, seconded by E. Erickson Jr, all in favor, motion carried.
6. Town of La Pointe Harbor Commission MOE: Motion by G. Carlson to adopt as presented, seconded by M. Collins, all in favor, motion carried.
7. Revenue Bond Covenant Update: G. Carlson signed adjustment to the Revenue Bond Covenant.
8. Employer MAG Card Recharge (IRC §132(f)): G. Carlson reviews new benefits available for Town employees.
9. Consider Approval of 2026 Tariff No.5: Motion by E. Erickson Jr. to recommended tariff as presented to the Town Board for approval, seconded by M. Ross, all in favor, motion carried.
10. Appoint New Member of Long-Term Finance Task Force: Motion by Z. Montagne to appoint Leon Steinberg to the long-term finance task force, seconded by G. Carlson,

all in favor, motion carried. G. Carlson clarifies that the task force is not looking into investing but rather options for the long-term debt.

11. Discuss MIFL Employee Housing Options: Z.Montagne reviews the Steering Committee's discussion with Cal. MIFL LLC needs island housing to staff Emergency Boat shifts June-October. The North Shore rental lease is up after June. MIFL is renting rooms above the Bellstreet temporarily. Z. Montagne has a rental lead to pass along to Cal.
12. Discuss Handicap Parking for Ferry on Island: The Harbor Commission received requests for "handicap parking closer to the ferry on the island side" via the suggestion boxes. There is a consensus to ask Town Administrator about the process of making a spot in front of the post office into a handicap parking spot. Cal suggests future options such as a golf cart to transport passengers in need.
13. Approval of Bills: Motion by Z. Montagne to approve the bills in the amount of \$287,862.15, seconded by G. Carlson, all in favor, motion carried.
14. Future Agenda Items: Handicap Parking Options, HAP Project Update, Long-Term Finance Task Force Update, Purchase of AEDs, MIFL Report on Trip Cancellations
15. Meeting Dates: Thursday May 28th, 2026 at 9am
16. Public Comment B**: None.
17. Town of La Pointe Harbor Commission & Bayfield Harbor Commission MOU:

Motion by G. Carlson to go into closed session, seconded by Z. Montagne, 7 ayes, motion carried. Meeting in closed session at 5:19pm.

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18. Review of MIFL Management Contract

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Motion by M.Collins to go back into open session, seconded by G. Carlson, 7 ayes, motion carried. Meeting in open session at 5:43pm.

19. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by S.Widmar, seconded by E. Erickson Jr, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:43pm.

Respectfully submitted by Katie Kisner, Interim Harbor Commission Secretary, Thursday May 11th, 2026.

Minutes approved as presented Thursday May 28th, 2026.