

CITY OF BAYFIELD HARBOR COMMISSION

Minutes of October 4, 2021, 4 p.m.

Call to Order - Roll Call:

Chairman Dougherty called the virtual meeting to order at 4 p.m.

Present: Bryan, Bauer, Dougherty, Shrider and Zawislak

Others: Erik Gruber, Krista Summerfeldt, Phillip Lockett and Bruce Lunde-MSA,
Bryce Albrecht, and Deb Radtke

Staff: Mayor Ringberg, PWD Kovachevich, and Clerk Hoopman

Approve Agenda: Shrider/Bryan moved to approve the agenda. Carried.

Public Input on Agenda Items: Erik Gruber voiced concern about the amount of information available on Viking Cruises plans to come to Bayfield and questioned what the costs of them are coming to our area and what are the benefits. He feels our community is already overburdened with tourists and our businesses cannot keep up now.

Review/Approve Previous Meeting minutes of September 7, 2021: Bryan/Shrider made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Carried.

Agenda:

Marina

1. Breakwater and Shoreline Improvement Project

a. Updates –

- Engineer Bruce Lunde told the Commission there has been many requests for information (11) and submittals (14) to date. It has been time consuming and frustrating.
- The Contractor hired another Engineer to dispute the use of the Bayfield Dirt Rock. They have been told the Bayfield Dirt Rock is unacceptable and does not meet the specs.
- Lunde noted the contractor is supposed to mobilize the week of October 11th and plans to begin during the week of October 18th.
- No funding updates were available. The ACE has indicated they will not know until this Spring if our project will receive additional funds.

b. Winter Boat Storage

- The Contractor plans to install the rock from shore, so access is needed and additional workspace. This is causing some issues for AIM and the winter storage of boats. More space is needed for boats this winter. Operator Peterson has spoke to Bodin's and received a quote of \$7.13/ft. Some other spaces were discussed like using the City's 2nd Street Parking Lot and the west side of the LE Dock area.
- To provide access to the South Shore, either Operator Peterson moves a boat, or a tree in the park may have to be moved. Mats will be put down and the Contractor will be responsible for site restoration.

c. MSA - Enhanced Construction Administration and Additional Services Amendment

- In general, Commissioner's expressed frustration about the request for additional funding, project communication, and comments about the time it took to redraft plans and specification due to not having details; assumedly about the south shore shelf/drop and the holes/tubes in the breakwall especially when the City paid to have specialized contractors do work to provide these details. MSA also commented about their time attending Harbor Commission meetings. How else would the Commission be updated?
- Zawislak/Shrider made a motion to postpone action on the requested amendment until more information is received from MSA in the form of a report showing hours of service. Passed by voice vote.

2. Underground Storage Tank Insurance – Update: Hoopman confirmed a policy is in place and it has a \$10,000 deductible with \$1,000,000 in coverage. The agent indicated to her the rising cost is related to the age of the tanks. The Harbor Commission needs to keep them on their radar screen.

3. Marina Lessee: August Fees Report: Informational, no action required. Operator Peterson noted it has been a busy season.

4. Marina Lessee: Issues/Concerns/Updates: None.

5. Public Works Director Report: Issues/Concerns/Updates: None.

City Dock

1. Madeline Island Ferry Lines – Dock/Ramp Project Update: Discussion postponed until a later date at the request of the Ferry Lines.

2. Large Vessel Docking Policy: Dougherty/Bryan made a motion that all vessels who use transient dockage pay the going rate. Anyone seeking a special rate or free dockage, must make this request to the Harbor Commission where it will be acted upon at their next meeting. Passed by voice vote, Bryan opposed.

3. Viking Cruises – Updates/Facility and Security Plan Proposal

The City has made contact with Attorney Lindsey, and he recommended we start a list of the services that would be received from somebody using the dock and try and quantify a rate for each in order to begin the development of a tariff/landing fee.

4. Public Works Director Report: Issues/Concerns/Updates: PWD Kovachevich noted he plans to shut down the water around October 15, 2021.

L.E. Building-Slip/Fishing Pier/Boat Ramp

1. Public Works Director Report: Issues/Concerns/Updates: The PWD will check in with Pier Genius on when we can expect the dock to arrive.

Other/ Business/Concerns

1. Schedule Next Meeting(s): Tuesday, October 19, 2021, and Monday, November 1, 2021

2. Marina Lease Discussion (Current Lease Exp. 12/31/23): No action taken.

Adjourn: Shrider/Zawislak moved to adjourn. Carried. (5:35 p.m.)

Minutes by Billie L. Hoopman, Clerk