

Minutes of Bay St. Louis Municipal Harbor Commission

Date: Tuesday, April 22, 2014

Location: Bay St. Louis Central Fire Station Training Room, 543 Main Street,
Bay St. Louis.

The meeting of the Bay St. Louis Municipal Harbor Commission convened at 3:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Chairman Lee Seal, presiding; Ken Barbor, Vice Chair; Charles LaFleur; Chris Roth, Chet LeBlanc, J.P. Compretta and Mike Hemsley, alternate.

Absent: Commissioner Rod Ward

City Officials Present: Buz Olsen, Paula Fairconnetue and Don Rafferty, City Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Seal

Approval of minutes was withheld until the next meeting.

Guests: Ken & Ray Murphy

RE: Fuel Dock/Live Bait

Ken & Ray Murphy made a proposal to the Commission to subcontract operations of the fuel dock, live bait shop, and a bar and sandwich shop. The business would be run from a barge located in the harbor. A photo of the barge was submitted for review.

A lengthy discussion was had on possible location for a barge at the harbor and provisions for fuel purchase. The commission noted that a RFP was being drafted to advertise for fuel dock and live bait subcontractors and would be published soon. The Murphy's are looking into insurance requirements and the city and health department requirements to operate at the marina.

Guest: Mike Rosato

RE: Harbor Fest

Mike Rosato spoke the Commission about managing the harbor area during the fest, consideration to boaters, planned activities and entertainment for the Harbor Fest. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Rosato requested a possible date to hold the Harbor Fest.

A discussion was had on completion date of the harbor project and best possible date to hold the Harbor Fest. The Commission advised holding the Harbor Fest any date after July 25th.

The Commission requested that Mr. Rosato submit a site plan, sanitation plans, activities and entertainment lineup for the Harbor Fest.

Chairman Seal called for a motion to recommend time frame for Harbor Fest.

MOTION TO RECOMMEND HARBOR FEST DATE

Commissioner Barbor moved, seconded by Commissioner LeBlanc, to recommend that the City Council approve setting the Harbor Fest date after July 25th.

A vote was called for with the following response:

VOTING YEA: Seal, Barbor LaFleur Roth Leblanc and Compretta

VOTING NAY: None ABSENT: Ward

REPORTS

Slip Assignment Applicants /Marketing RFP

Paula reported that she received twenty-four completed applications and deposits for the slip assignment lottery. The lottery is scheduled for Monday, May 5th.

An advertisement for marketing services was placed in the local newspapers and proposals have been sent out to several firms. Deadline date to receive proposals was set for May 16th.

Harbor Master Interviews

Interviews will be set for next week. Commission officers and Mayor Fillingame will interview candidates.

Commissioners requested to be informed of interview date.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner LaFleur led discussion on capital items needed for the harbor.

Discussion was had on setting special slip rates during special events.

Commissioner Seal recommended not having a meeting next week, there being no pressing agenda items to discuss.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Compretta, to adjourn the Harbor Commission meeting of April 22, 2014, there being no further business to discuss.

A vote was called for with the following response:

VOTING YEA: Seal, Barbor LaFleur Roth Leblanc and Compretta

VOTING NAY: None ABSENT: Ward