

Minutes of Bay St. Louis Municipal Harbor Commission

Date: Tuesday, May 6, 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, J.P. Compretta and Mike Hemsley, alternate.

Absent: Commissioner Chet LeBlanc

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Seal

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Re: April 15, 2014

Commissioner LaFleur moved, seconded by Commissioner Compretta, to approve minutes of the Harbor Commissioner held Tuesday, April 15, 2014, with corrections.

A vote was called for with the following response:

VOTING YEA: LaFleur, Compretta, Seal, Roth, Barbor and Ward

VOTING NAY: None ABSENT: LeBlanc

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Re: April 22, 2014

Commissioner LaFleur moved, seconded by Commissioner Compretta, to approve minutes of the Harbor Commissioner held Tuesday, April 22, 2014, with corrections.

A vote was called for with the following response:

VOTING YEA: LaFleur, Compretta, Seal, Roth, Barbor and Ward

VOTING NAY: None ABSENT: LeBlanc

Guest: Jason Chiniche, BMA Engineering

Re: Harbor Update

Jason reported that construction is approximately one month and half until completion. The project is on schedule and 90% complete. Change Order No. 6 for the entrance sign and other items will be presented to the City Council at their meeting tonight. Benches and trash can locations are being conducted. The comfort station trailer will be delivered tomorrow.

Jason reported that a \$70,000 under-run in contingency money was still available for add-on items for the harbor project. He asked for direction from the Commission on utilizing the funds. He recommended adding breakwater pilings back into the project, which serves to protect boats and utilities. The pilings were part of the original contract and were taken out to save money.

The city is also looking into using a portion of the contingency money to help purchase a camera system.

A lengthy discussion was had on using money for installation of most essential items, including the breakwater pilings, lighting on the towers and camera surveillance system.

Fifteen (15) fire extinguishers and twenty-five (25) life rings will be provided through the construction contract.

The Commission prioritized items in order of necessity as follows:

Option 1: Breakwater Pilings

Option 2: Camera Surveillance System

Option 3: Lighting on the towers

Consensus of the Commission was to prioritize items through a vote.

MOTION TO APPROVE INSTALLATION OF LIGHTING

Commissioner Roth moved, to use funds to install lighting on the towers.
Motion died for lack of second.

MOTION TO APPROVE INSTALLATION OF BREAKWATER PILINGS

Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner LaFleur, to use funds to install breakwater pilings.

A vote was called for with the following response:

VOTING YEA: LaFleur, Compretta, Seal, Barbor and Ward

VOTING NAY: Roth ABSENT: LeBlanc

Jason will submit cost and layout of breakwater pilings at the next meeting.

Several requests have been made by slip applicants and potential applicants to take a site visit of the Harbor. A harbor tour was scheduled for May 16th at 4pm.

REPORTS

Lottery

Commissioner Seal reported that 21 applicants. The process went well. Two applicants were eliminated due to lack of documentation, or registration for their vessels.

Harbor Master Interviews

Commissioner Seal reported that harbor master interviews are set for tomorrow, May 7th starting at 2pm for the final four candidates in the mayor's conference room at city hall.

Commissioners were asked to submit questions they may want asked during the harbor master interviews.

Applications Post Initial Slip Assignment

A detailed discussion was had on the process of letting slips post lottery. Three applications were submitted after the lottery.

Load/Unload Slip Locations

During discussion on designating a load/unload zone at the harbor, the commission determined that Pier One slips 14, 15 & 16 would be used as a loading area and would not be available to lease.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Commissioner Barbor moved, seconded by Commissioner LaFleur, to adjourn the Harbor Commission meeting of May 6, 2014, there being no further business to discuss. A vote was called for with the following response:

VOTING YEA: LaFleur, Compretta, Seal, Barbor and Ward

VOTING NAY: Roth ABSENT: LeBlanc

Lee Seal, Chairman