

**MICHIGAN CITY PORT AUTHORITY
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

November 20, 2023

The regular meeting of the Michigan City Port Authority Board of Directors was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Socrates Gray in the Port Authority board room.

ATTENDANCE

Board President Socrates Gray presided. Board members in attendance included Amanda Beutner, John Haynes, Sam Ferguson, Dan Messina, and Bruce Manner. Board member not present for the meeting was Chad Childers. Harbormaster Tim Frame was also in attendance for the meeting.

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Phil Freeze from the Park Department.

MINUTES

- Motion by John Haynes, seconded by Sam Ferguson to approve the minutes of November 6, 2023 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- There were no comments from the public.
- Representatives Charlie Keene and Matt Weber from General Insurance Services were present to review the changes to the annual policy renewal.
 - Following discussion by the Board, motion by Sam Ferguson, seconded by Amanda to approve recommended changes to the policy with an increase in premium for the 2024 insurance policy renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORT FROM HARBORMASTER

Harbormaster Tim Frame reported on the following:

- Tim reported that all boats in both the Washington Park and Trail Creek Marinas have been removed.
- All boats have been placed in storage and the crew is finishing up the installation of holiday lights.
- Fish Camp has requested permission to host a Horse and Buggy ride December 16th and 17th that will pass thru Port Authority property. Motion by Sam Ferguson, seconded by Amanda Beutner to approve the request. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORT FROM ASSISTANT HARBORMASTER OF ADMINISTRATION

- There was no report from the Assistant Harbormaster at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget and Financial Oversight Committee

- Sam Ferguson reviewed the November 20, 2023, Claims Docket.

Port Authority	\$	21,628.37
Port Authority EFT	\$	150.70
Capital	\$	0.00
Total	\$	26,779.07

- Motion by Sam Ferguson, seconded by Dan Messina to approve all bills to be paid. Motion passed unanimously.

Claims and Insurance Committee

- There was no report from the committee at this time.

Port Operations & Personnel & Marina Policy

- Socrates noted that port operations has slowed down for the winter season.
- Members of the Nominating Committee to fill the Board positions coming to term will be Amanda Beutner, Bruce Manner and Sam Ferguson, Chair.

Boater Communications and Special Events Committee

- There was no report from the committee at this time.

Master Planning and Special Projects Committee

- There was no report from the committee at this time.

Advertising and Public Relations Committee

- There was no report from the committee at this time.

REPORT FROM THE ATTORNEY

- There was no report from the attorney at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

- Motion by Sam Ferguson, seconded by Amanda Beutner to schedule only one meeting in December on December 11, 2023. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- There was no old business to discuss.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- There were no comments from the public.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by John Haynes, seconded by Amanda Beutner to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Accepted by: _____
Tim Frame, Harbormaster

Respectfully submitted, _____
Dan Messina, Board Secretary

Approved On: _____

By: _____
Socrates Gray, Board President