

Approved

HARBOR COMMISSION MINUTES: January 8, 2018

PRESENT: Fisher, Hansen, Bronkema, Blesma

ABSENT: Berck, Reynolds, Wiltse

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a. Regular Harbor Commission meeting December 11, 2017: Commissioner Bronkema motioned and commissioner Hansen seconded to approve minutes from the regular meeting on December 11, 2017. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

- a. Staff: Interim Harbormaster Blackmore reported that the renewal of the dredging permit is in process. A safety chain was installed to prevent any tripping hazards on the gas dock, due to the new height. Seasonal boater contracts are being received steadily. All harbor logs have been updated for the 2018 season. All staff was contacted from last year, about half plan to return. Harbor Days packets have been completed. Blackmore reported water levels have dropped keeping the docks safe for the Winter. Blackmore reported that Kurt Klynstra's Class A and B UST System Operator Certification has been renewed, and is good for another five years.
- b. Council: Bronkema reported on Council activities
- c. Treasurer: Financial report provided.

CITIZENS COMMENT: One citizen commented

OLD BUSINESS:

Report on where Eric left off with Heather Hettinger (fisheries biologist.): Blackmore shared where Crissman left off with the DNR with procedures on how to move forward with restoring the fish habitat. The DNR is willing to assist in the DEQ permit process if decided to go forward with restoring the fish habitat. This is a small factor whether the anglers return. Water levels and forage base play a huge part. Even though restoring this habitat would be helpful, it is not going to improve fishing in a significant way.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sunday Sunset Series: This year we will be hosting five concerts at the pavilion. They will be held on Sunday nights like we've done in the past. Starting at 7:00 P.M. and ending at 10:00 P.M. This year's lineup is;

Jeff Brown (June 17)
Brett Mitchell (June 24)
Elizabeth River and Peter J Murphy (July 1)
Kurt Westie (July 8)
Petoskey Steel Drum Band (July 15)

Annual Report: As seasonal contracts are received their surveys and boater comments are being entered into the report. The 2017 review and 2018 goals are complete. As well as 2017 revenue stats and 2017 boat traffic.

CORRESPONDENCE: Provided Monthly Bulletin of Lake Michigan-Huron Water Levels.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

