

CONNEAUT PORT AUTHORITY
929 BROAD STREET
CONNEAUT, OHIO 44030
August 19, 2021

Meeting was called to order by Chairman, George Peterson, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: George Peterson, Bill Kennedy, Patrick Arcaro, Aaron Joslin, Tom Perkoski, Mark Verzella, Babs Legeza and Denver Spieldenner

Also present in the Board room: Jon Arcaro and Catherine Glosser

ABSENTEE: Bill Kline (Bill Kline is a new board member).

Patrick Arcaro made the motion to excuse Bill Kline from tonight's meeting, and it was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Patrick Arcaro to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2021, Board meeting and was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.
Bill Kennedy abstained (he was absent).

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Catherine Glosser she addressed the board about her concerns about dog's, gate fee and horses on the Sandbar.

CORRESPONDENCE: Denver Spieldenner

- Corps of Engineers report says that the water level was up and is now starting to decline.
- Denver received an e-mail from Kathy Vaux-Paden about requesting a sign in Spanish to be posted at the Sandbar area.
- Fuel Dock annual tank testing showed all is good.
- We received an e-mail from CT Consultants about the parking lot update.

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HARBORMASTER REPORT AUGUST 19, 2021

- **DOCKS**
 - **"B" dock in the PCM marina needs extensive repairs to make it through this season. The wood structure under the deck on this dock is in bad shape.**

- We continue to fix four-by-four posts that are broken. Many of these posts are old and starting to rot.
- We will need to install a floating dock for the Conneaut Creek Float & Fly operation near the public launch ramps if and when they are going to operate in the harbor.
- **ELECTRIC**
 - We are working to get new LED lights installed at the north end of the Lagoon marina to light up the parking area on Lagoon Road. This will add to the security of the area.
 - We have repaired the LED lights at the south end of the Lagoon marina.
 - We have had very few issues with electric service to boats in the marinas lately. Most issues are due to cords in the water or a problem with a boat itself. We continue to check electric several times per week.
 - We still have no electric to the pavilion at PCM.
- **VEHICLES**
 - We have not received our gratis license plates from the State of Ohio yet.
 - We will have to go to Jefferson to get the title for the old 1997 Chevrolet pickup since we cannot find our copy. This truck will be scrapped when we get the title.
- **Misc.**
 - We are getting ready for D-Day. The sandbar is closed until Sunday August 22nd. Naylor Blvd. West is closed until Sunday also. The face of Public Dock has been prepped to accommodate the Higgins boats.
 - We have removed the fencing at Lakeview Park. It is being stored on our lot above the Wastewater Treatment Plant until we need it. We donated the backstop fencing to CLYO. They removed the fencing, and we are helping to remove the posts that go with it.
 - Our new maintenance supervisor, Paul Gauvin, is onboard and the transition has been smooth.

Respectfully submitted:
Denver Spieldenner
Harbormaster Conneaut Port Authority

Denver also informed that board about using the band aid system for working on docks for the 2022 season because of the lack of supplies. We are not able to get new docks prior to the 2022 season.

Denver also explained about the conversations in-place with Conneaut Creek Float and Fly for a second location within the port area.

There was a request to check the water for a possible electrical leakage and that test was performed and no leakage was found.

Denver introduced Paul Gauvin as the new maintenance supervisor to the board members.

We are having issues with the ground faults in the B section in the Lagoon.

Dock Report

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Board Meeting

2022 Season Contracts will be in the mail Labor Day weekend or before.

We have had several dock holders recently sell their boats; so, I have started working with the relocators as well as the waiting list. I'm also expecting empty docks by the middle of November. We still have many on the list that we will NOT be able to accommodate because of the lack of proper sizes of docks.

PCM

I'm already starting to work with relocators for the 2022 season.

LAGOON

We still have empty docks and I'm currently working with a new dock holder at the 25% discount price. I'm also already working with relocators here as well as waiting list customers.

Jet Ski docks are all full.

If we had the means we could sell another 10 jet ski platforms for the 2022 season.

I have 6 waiting now, no they are not all on the list but three are current dock holders needing another platform. I have six confirmed; so, I feel 10 could be sold.

I am still working with Dockholders for updating their Insurance & Registration. Yes, this is ongoing.

Launch Ramp

We still have only sold **TEN** Seasonal Boat Launch Passes.

Sandbar

Seems to be moving along smoothly. Weather has not been the best this week.

Launch Ramp Monthly Report:

July 16 – Aug 19 2017 launches Fees collected: \$12,102.00 Wages Paid: \$4,256.88 Profit: \$7,845.12

Sandbar Monthly Report:

July 16 – Aug 19 1015 cars Fees collected: \$4,862.00 Wages Paid: \$3,500.44 Profit: \$1,361.56

GRANTS and PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT: Aaron Joslin

- Aaron, Mark and Patrick have been working with Jamie at Insite on multiple projects.

FINANCE REPORT: Patrick Arcaro

Mark Verzella made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and it was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

Bill Kennedy made the motion to pay the Current Bills and Mark Verzella seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Patrick Arcaro made a motion to accept the discussed appropriations and Mark Verzella seconded the motion. Motion carried.

LEASE COMMITTEE REPORT: Tom Perkoski

- Fuel Dock three-year lease is still being worked on and it is with Denny Distelrath.
- Snack Shack is back up available.
- The lease for the Conneaut Boat Club is almost finished and no discussions have taken place between the Conneaut Port Authority and the Conneaut Boat Club at this time.
- There will be a letter going out to the Harbor Yak about the sheds.
- Courtney Forbes from Conneaut Creek Float and Fly will continue with kayaks rentals for the rest of the summer season.

ADVERTISING/COMMUNICATION: Tom Perkoski

- Good press about the Clean Marina Certification.
- Fair press provided about the problems with dogs on the Sandbar.
- Fair press provided about the new signage at the Sandbar and the Breakwall.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE: Tom Perkoski

OLD BUSINESS: George Peterson

- Huntington Bank Account is up and running smoothly.
- Still waiting for instructions on how to move the rest of the money from Port Conneaut to the Huntington Bank account.
- Fill-the-boat event will be taking place on September 4th., 5th., & 6th. Labor Day Weekend. Tom has volunteers from the high school to help and he will be distributing buckets to local businesses as well to participate.

JON ARCARO:

- He spoke about the city working on COVID Vaccine Policy.

MOTIONS:

M21-050... Patrick Arcaro made the motion to excuse Bill Kline from tonight’s meeting, and it was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

M21-051... A motion was made by Patrick Arcaro to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2021, Board meeting and was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

Bill Kennedy abstained (he was absent).

M21-052... Mark Verzella made the motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report and it was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

M21-053... Bill Kennedy made the motion to pay the Current Bills and Mark Verzella seconded the motion. Motion carried.

M21-054... Patrick Arcaro made a motion to accept the discussed appropriations and Mark Verzella seconded the motion. Motion carried.

M21-055... At 7:01 p.m. Bill Kennedy made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mark Verzella seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

R21-004... Bill Kennedy made a motion to accept a resolution to authorize CPA Chairperson to execute an agreement with The City of Conneaut for the purpose of providing a uniformed police officer to the Port District from Lake Road to Lake Erie, CN property to the boundary with Conneaut Township Park. Specific hours to be negotiated between the Police Chief and the CPA Chairman. During the summer months, beginning Memorial Day weekend and ending the Monday following Labor Day. The Port District will begin Memorial Day weekend 2022, for a period of 5 years and not to exceed \$25K per year. Patrick Arcaro seconded the motion.

Roll Call: George Peterson, Bill Kennedy, Patrick Arcaro, Aaron Joslin, Tom Perkoski and Mark Verzella. Motion carried.

R21-005... Tom Perkoski made a motion to accept a resolution to create and Ordinance restricting access to the “Sandbar Area” for all pets during the time period of May 1st. – September 30th. Pets on a leash may be walked on the “Sandbar Area” during the period of October 1st. – April 30th. only. All pet owners must clean up after their pets. Aaron Joslin seconded the motion. Roll Call: George Peterson, Bill Kennedy, Patrick Arcaro, Aaron Joslin, Tom Perkoski and Mark Verzella. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:01 p.m. Bill Kennedy made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mark Verzella seconded the motion. Motion carried.