

CONNEAUT PORT AUTHORITY
929 BROAD STREET
CONNEAUT, OHIO 44030
June 18, 2020

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

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

ABSENTEES: None

GUEST: Jon Arcaro by conference call

MINUTES: A motion was made by Aaron Joslin to approve the minutes from the May 21st. Board meeting and was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDANCE: Denver Spieldenner

- Lake Erie Water Report
 - It is predicted that June and July will be the same as last year.
- National Weather Station
 - Looking into the weather station getting fixed.
- Public Works Department
 - They put up more No Parking Signs
 - They painted parking spaces from Lake Erie Boat Club to the Anchor
 - They have asked us to share the expense with the city.
 - Total cost was \$725.00/2=\$362.50 our share would be: \$362.50
 - Portside Marine No parking signs are up.
- More 15 mph signs to be put up in the Lagoon area.

COMMUNICATIONS: George Peterson

- Fishing in the boat areas needs to be addressed
 - Police will intervene
 - Port will post more No fishing signs
- Lake Erie Walleye Tournament
 - George Peterson will check on this with ODNR
- Shower's NOT open
 - Monitoring is the biggest problem
 - Then cleaning between people showering also needs addressed
- TV Dish
 - A boater had asked about having a TV Dish and the board decided no; they do not want any fixed object in the dockage area.

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- **DOCKS**
 - We have been repairing broken stand-offs and water lines. At this time, all water lines are repaired. Broken stand-offs are a continuing maintenance item due to old weathered wood and some boaters using them to tie up their boats.
- **ELECTRIC**
 - The electric work in PCM is complete.
 - The old maintenance building is now on its own electric service instead of being tied to the PCM marina wiring.
 - We are working on the electric for A dock in the Lagoon. We need to do some rewiring and install ground fault circuits. We are in the process of getting estimates for this work.
 - We need to add several circuits to the fuel dock to handle the load at this facility. We are tripping breakers on a regular basis. We will have a quote for this project before we start.
 - We still need to reconnect the electric to the sandbar guard shack.
- **#1 WELTON ROAD**
 - We are getting a quote for a new door and opener for this building. The old opener does not work, and the door is in bad shape. It is an old hollow core Masonite door that is extremely heavy.
- **FISH HOUSE**
 - We are getting a quote for a new overhead door and opener for this building. The door has been damaged several times over many years and needs to be replaced. Currently, it is not safe to use. We have it chained shut and we have informed our crew, Portside Marine, and the YMCA that the door is not safe, and they should not try to open it.
- **SANDBAR**
 - We have been continuing to clean the debris from this area and grade the road.
 - This area should be ready to open for the July 4th holiday if we choose to do so. We still need to get Port-A-Johnnies delivered and figure out how to get them cleaned daily.

- **RESTROOMS AND PAVILION**
 - We have opened all our restrooms. They are being cleaned twice daily. The pavilion is still closed.
 - The showers in the PCM restrooms are still closed.
- **MISC.**
 - We are still waiting to hear the status of our insurance claim for electric damage due to high water and storms. We have also put in a claim for the broken flagpole in the PCM marina. We have submitted all the information the insurance company has asked for.
 - We are continuing to sanitize our work areas daily and our crew continues to get their temperatures taken daily at the fire station uptown. So far everyone is healthy.
 - The City has put up **NO PARKING** signs along the south side of Broad Street in front of the Moses Cleveland Park. They will be painting the parking spaces next. These will be on the north side (restaurant side) of Broad Street. These are parallel parking spaces.

Respectfully submitted:

Denver Spieldenner

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Denver also provided information about the Sandbar situation. If opened to the public with charging there would need to be two Port-a-Potties and they would need cleaned daily. There would be one Port-a-Potty for employees only. It was discussed about 4th. of July weekend, but first we need a cleaning person; then people need to maintain six feet of social distancing, and possibly try to limit the number of cars due to space.

DOCK REPORT: Sheri Dawson

As of the end of this current week the Port Conneaut Marina (PCM) should be full. I have a few phone calls to make tomorrow to those that are waiting to buy a dock.

As for the Lagoon area we have about eight docks still available; they are 20 feet and under. I have had to turn down about 12 people who are needing larger sizes for their boats.

According to the calls there is a need for us to provide larger dock sizes like 25 to 30 foot.

Also, a few more larger docks would be nice as well. Not only in length, but also wider docks.

I have been doing dock walks about three times a week and things seem to be going well.

Dock holders are pleased to see someone walking the docks; plus, I can help answer questions or get things taken care of for them. I walk twice during the week and once on the weekends.

LAUNCH RAMP REPORT: Sheri Dawson

Between May 21st. and June 18th. we have had 766 boat launches. There have been several bad weather days and the attendants worked a total of 317 hours during this time.

FINANCE REPORT: Patrick Arcaro

- Patrick Arcaro made the motion to pay the Current Bills and Bill Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Aaron Joslin made the motion to approve the Finance Report and it was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

LEASE COMMITTEE REPORT: Bill Kennedy

- Bill Kennedy reported all is moving along nicely.

GRANTS & PLANNING: Aaron Joslin

- CDC Funding
- Insite CDBG Grants discussed
- Ribbon cutting to take place on Saturday, June 27th. at the Conneaut Creek Float & Fly, which is located at 1 Welton Road
- Charlies Deli is holding a ribbon cutting ceremony June 19th. at 10 a.m.

ADVERTISING/COMMUNICATION: Heather Gelfer

- Banner is coming along nicely and should be done Monday, June 22nd. George Peterson asked to have added to it the CDC website.
- July 3rd., 4th., & 5th., we will take \$1.00 from each launch collected and donate it to the Conneaut Food Pantry. This is going towards our discussion about holding community projects. There will also be donation buckets out at various locations during this time as well. Also, Heather will check and see if vendors would like to participate in having a donation collection bucket available.
- The collection of funds will be conducted monthly, throughout the season and it will be donated to various organizations throughout our area.
- Heather Gelfer made a motion to take one dollar from each boat launch from July 3rd., 4th., and 5th. and the money that was donated into the collections buckets from various locations and donate all the collected funds to the Conneaut Food Pantry and it was seconded by Patrick Arcaro. Motion carried.

POLICY COMMITTEE: George Peterson

- Nothing to report currently.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE: Tom Perkoski

- The US Army Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Committee is conducting a survey and will be here June 19th. around 2:45 p.m. to provide a walk-through tour and information about their findings to this point.
- US Army Corps of Engineers have suggested the basin as a vegetative shallow.
- It would take approximately two to three years to make the improvements and corrections to qualify for the clean marina chart listing.
- Coming up on June 20th. and June 21st. there are two free fishing days and the national fishing day as well during this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Memorial Benches = we have five committed and George will contact the bench company to see if we can get the going rate with less than 10 orders.
- Three-year contracts for Jet Ski docks as of this time we have sold three.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Bill Kennedy and seconded by Heather Gelfer to go into Executive session at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Roll call: George Peterson, Bill Kennedy, Patrick Arcaro, Aaron Joslin, and Heather Gelfer

At 7:24 p.m. Bill Kennedy made the motion to come out of Executive Session and it was seconded by Aaron Joslin. Motion carried.

Roll call: George Peterson, Bill Kennedy, Patrick Arcaro, Aaron Joslin, and Heather Gelfer

Patrick Arcaro made the motion to sign the Purchase Agreement for vacant realty on Harbor Street and it was seconded by Bill Kennedy. Motion carried.

MOTIONS:

Resolved #39-20... A motion was made by Aaron Joslin to approve the minutes from the May 21st. Board meeting and was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

Resolved #40-20... Patrick Arcaro made the motion to pay the Current Bills and Bill Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resolved #41-20... Aaron Joslin made the motion to approve the Finance Report and it was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

Resolved #42-20... Heather Gelfer made a motion to take one dollar from each boat launch from July 3rd, 4th, and 5th. and the money that was donated into the collections buckets from various locations and donate all the collected funds to the Conneaut Food Pantry and it was seconded by Patrick Arcaro. Motion carried.

Resolved #43-20... Motion was made by Bill Kennedy and seconded by Heather Gelfer to go into Executive session at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Resolved #44-20... At 7:24 p.m. Bill Kennedy made the motion to come out of Executive Session and it was seconded by Aaron Joslin. Motion carried.

Resolved #45-20... Patrick Arcaro made the motion to sign the Purchase Agreement for vacant realty on Harbor Street and it was seconded by Bill Kennedy. Motion carried.

Resolved #46-20... At 7:26 p.m. Heather Gelfer made the motion to Adjourn and Bill Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:26 p.m. Heather Gelfer made the motion to Adjourn and Bill Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried.