

Monthly Board Meeting August 21, 2025

Conneaut Port Authority
929 Broad Street
Conneaut, Ohio 44030
8-21-25

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairman Bill Kline

Board Members Present: Bill Kline, Patrick Arcaro (virtually), Kristina Daugherty, Mark Presley, Debbie Newcomb, Tim Kraus

Absent: Keith Jury

Staff: Denver Spieldenner, Terri Trisket

Others in attendance: Nic Church

Minutes: Disposal of previous minutes-Motion to accept minutes from the July Board Meeting

Motion: Tim Kraus ; second: Mark Presley

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried

Correspondence:

None

Audience Participation:

Nic Church- the fence at Dean Avenue looks great.

Harbormaster Report:

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- Docks

- We are gathering quotes for new electric pedestals for PCM. We should have at least four quotes by the September meeting. D, E, and F docks in the lagoon are undergoing GFCI upgrades. B dock in the lagoon needs the main electric cable replaced. We have purchased signs to identify our docks more clearly.

- D DAY

- We dug trenches for this event two days prior to the event and then went back and filled them in on the Monday after the event.

- Misc.

- We continue to find fish remains in our trash cans.
- We are still waiting on a quote for new picnic tables.
- We have started to paint the fencing at Dean Ave.
- We have asked the City to crack fill the pickle ball courts at the Dean Avenue park.
- The lagoon restroom keypads are still off line. We are waiting for the fiber optic cable to be repaired.
- We are waiting for the Public Works Dept. to stripe the parking lot at the Smoke on the Water restaurant.

Respectfully submitted: Denver Spieldenner Harbormaster Conneaut Port Authority

Dock report:

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2025 contracts

We have acquired 6 new end of season dock contracts and are building waitlists for 2026 docks. Contracts will be going out by early September.

Office updates:

NFWF Costal Resilience Plan: The community clean up day while poorly attended, was successful. We were able to get a considerable amount of trash picked up. Our final public meeting will be September 20, 12-4. This will be the culmination of the project. Please mark your calendars and attend if you are able.

Final monitoring for Phragmites has been completed. Final reporting for this grant cycle is due August 31. I will be submitting this early next week.

Our application for the Appalachia Regional Commission was selected for full proposal. More details to come.

I am continuing to seek out available funding for our projects. Both the CMAG and Lake Erie Protection Fund Grant are on my radar for next year.

Financial reports: Patrick Arcaro

Motion to accept Treasurer's reports

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Mark Presley

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried

Motion to ratify the payment of July's bills

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Debbie Newcomb

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried

Old Business:

Welton Rd property: the appraisal was completed and we are waiting to hear from the Law Director about if we need to put it out for bid or can sell it without the bid process.

It was suggested that we do put it out to bid regardless as it would be good to review all of our options. Bids will be reviewed in executive session.

Motion to put the Welton Rd property up for sale.

Motion: Mark Presley; second: Tim Kraus

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried

New Business:

Committee Reports: None

Rules and Regulations:

Discussion was had about a dock holder that did not pay in full and lost their dock but still put their boat in the dock. Our contract states that we have the authority to remove the boat but how we go about doing this needs to be defined and a process determined. NO pressure washing will be added to the rules as well as clarification around electrical requirements.

Dock Software: (Our current program is not working as anticipated and should not be renewed.

Terri looked at Dockwa again and while more expensive seems to be what we need. We can implement module by module and therefore can see how each piece functions before moving forward. If we purchase the contract module, we will need to extend the contract deadline until November 1 to allow enough time for implementation.

Motion to purchase the Dockwa Contract Module

Motion: Tim Kraus; second: Kristina Daugherty

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried

Day Street update: we are waiting on a contract with CN.

Motion to Adjourn made at 8:10 PM

Motion: Debbie Newcomb; second: Kristina Daugherty

Motions:

25-44 Motion to accept minutes from the July Board Meeting

Motion: Tim Kraus ; second: Mark Presley

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none; Motion Carried

25-45 Motion to accept Treasurer's reports

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Mark Presley

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none; Motion Carried

25-46 Motion to ratify the payment of July's bills

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Debbie Newcomb

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none; Motion Carried

25-47 Motion to put the Welton Rd property up for sale.

Motion: Mark Presley; second: Tim Kraus

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none; Motion Carried

25-48 Motion to purchase the Dockwa Contract Module

Motion: Tim Kraus; second: Kristina Daugherty

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none; Motion Carried

25-49 Motion to Adjourn made at 8:10 PM

Motion: Debbie Newcomb; second: Kristina Daugherty