

CONNEAUT PORT AUTHORITY
929 BROAD STREET
CONNEAUT, OHIO 44030
October 21, 2021

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

PRESENT: George Peterson, Bill Kennedy, Patrick Arcaro, Tom Perkoski, Mark Verzella, Bill Kline, Denver Spieldenner and Paul Gauvin

Virtually: Jon Arcaro and Babs Legeza

ABSENTEE: Aaron Joslin

MINUTES: A motion was made by Patrick Arcaro to approve the minutes from the September 16, 2021, Board meeting and was seconded by Bill Kline. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

CORRESPONDENCE: Denver Spieldenner

The Army Corps of Engineers predicts that March of 2022 compared to March of 2021 will be eight inches lower water table.

Tom Perkoski reported about being contacted by Leah Wolfe from the Conneaut Arts Center on them being interested in holding a kayak, canoe, small power boat parade in the summer of 2022. It would be along the lines of their monster painting display and the watercraft items would be monster decorated. Further discussion will continue over the next several months.

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HARBORMASTER REPORT OCTOBER 21, 2021

- **WINTER SHUTDOWN**
 - **We have started the season end shutdown. Channel markers have been pulled and winter markers are in place. All jet ski docks have been removed.**
- **VEHICLES**
 - **There is a recall on the Ford F-150 for a problem with the seatbelts.**
 - **New logos are on the doors of our work trucks.**

- 1997 pickup truck has been scrapped.
- **MISC.**
 - We need to add a security light to the front of the Float & Fly store. It is extremely dark at this location at night.
 - The Lagoon and Breakwall Restaurant restroom keypads have been disabled for the season shutdown. The Launch Ramp restrooms will remain open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily until the end of October.
 - The sandbar gates are both locked for the winter.
 - We no longer have any ramp attendants on duty.
 - The maintenance building has been painted.
 - The Harbormaster will be on vacation next week and will return to the office on November 1, 2021.
 - See the Maintenance Supervisor report for additional information.

Respectfully submitted:
Denver Spieldenner
Harbormaster Conneaut Port Authority

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MAINTENANCE REPORT OCTOBER 21,2021

DOCK ACCESSMEANT

- All docks are in good standing order.
- Replaced 2x6, 4x4 in PCM, Lagoon.
- Paul and Denver talked with Todd from Floating Dock Supply for B-Dock.

ELECTRICAL

- Installing wire from panel to A-dock for ground fault circuit.
- Removed meter post from behind shed and will be used for Float and Fly.
- Working on pricing for updating lift station at the boat ramp.

VEHICLES

- Recall on F150 for seatbelt.
- Replacing left tire on backhoe.

MISC

- Replaced trim around door at the pavilion and painted.
- Concrete work on pier by Lake Erie Boat Club.
- Concrete work on boat ramps.
- Painted trim around in the Harbor.
- Starting with the winter shut down.
- Shut sandbar down for the year.
- Had the trucks lettered.

Dock Report

October 21, 2021

Board Meeting

2022 contract payments have been coming in almost daily.

We still have about 65 to still pay.

As of this time we have received two notices of dock holders not returning and we had two deaths.

November 1, 2021

I will start a courteous call to any non-paid dock holder and inform them that due to lack of no payment their dock has been forfeited. Then I can get busy with the relocators and waiting list. I've been told that several dock holders are not coming back; but without them calling us or me contacting them I cannot just sell their dock. Plus, our unfortunate ones that passed away; their family members need contacted.

Any word about the reconfiguration of the Lagoon?

Seasonal Boat Launch Passes ended up only selling 10 for the season.

Possibly, start thinking about how to modify the seasonal passes for next year usage.

Launch Ramp

It was closed until next season on: Friday, October 15, 2021

Included is the year end spreadsheet.

Sandbar

Closed back in September until next season

Included is the year end spreadsheet.

Transient Docks

Received from Larry Distelrath: \$420.00

Dock Holder misuse collected: \$200.00

Total Transient Collected: \$620.00

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 Tom Perkoski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bill Kline made a motion to accept the recommended estimated resources and appropriations that totaled \$15,150.00 that was presented at tonight's regular board meeting and it was seconded by Mark Verzella. Motion carried.

Mark Verzella made a motion to void the outstanding check dated 12/31/2018, payable to Northcoast Construction, in the amount of \$700.00. Should the vendor request payment in the future, it is understood that we still have an obligation to pay. Bill Kline seconded the motion. Motion carried.

LEASE COMMITTEE REPORT: Bill Kennedy

- Conneaut Boat Club lease is in the final stages.
- Lake Erie Boat Club is wanting to have a meeting with the lease Committee.
- The Lease Committee will be having a meeting on Thursday, October 28th. at 6:30 p.m.

GRANTS & PLANNING: George Peterson (absent was Aaron Joslin)

- The pre-application process was completed for the ODNR Boating Infrastructure Grant for \$50,000.00 and the Port will be informed by November 1st. if they were accepted to move forward with the rest of the process.

ADVERTISING/COMMUNICATION: Tom Perkoski

- Tom provided information that the Conneaut Port Authority's wooden Christmas card for display in the park is about completed.
- Tom also added a few more comments about the Monster Boat idea.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE: Tom Perkoski

- The ODNR meeting went very well, and it seems that ODNR is onboard with what the Port Authority is trying to accomplish. OEPA did have a few issues.
- He provided information about the process for dredging the new marina.
- He also explained about how removing of the phragmites could be to our advantage in creating of useable area within the marina.
- Clean Marinas Certification = The Conneaut Port Authority is taking steps to move up to the Gold and Platinum levels. In order, to meet this status they are required to have training of employees and board members awareness. November 3rd. at 1:30 p.m. there will be a 45-minute training session for all employees. Then prior to the next board meeting there will be a training seminar presented to all board members.

OLD BUSINESS: George Peterson

- Bill Kline made the motion to give employees and board members two \$25.00 gift certificates in place of the Christmas gathering and Mark Verzella seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Election of Officers will take place at the January 2022 Board Meeting.
 - The positions are now two-year terms.
- Bill Kennedy talked about being approached by the Army Corps of Engineers to have the Port Authority assist them in placing boulders to create a barrier to prevent public access to the Breakwall. Bill Kline made a motion for the Port Authority to pay the additional \$200.00 that is needed to complete the project that Hugh Ingram has agreed to perform, and Bill Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Patrick Arcaro made the motion to excuse Aaron Joslin from tonight's board meeting and Bill Kline seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MOTIONS:

M21-060... A motion was made by Patrick Arcaro to approve the minutes from the September 16, 2021, Board meeting and was seconded by Bill Kline. Motion carried.

M21-061... Mark Verzella made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and it was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

M21-062... Bill Kennedy made the motion to pay the Current Bills and Tom Perkoski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

M21-063... Bill Kline made a motion to accept the recommended estimated resources and appropriations that totaled \$15,150.00 that was presented at tonight's regular board meeting and it was seconded by Mark Verzella. Motion carried.

M21-064... Mark Verzella made a motion to void the outstanding check dated 12/31/2018, payable to Northcoast Construction, in the amount of \$700.00. Should the vendor request payment in the future, it is understood that we still have an obligation to pay. Bill Kline seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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M21-067... Patrick Arcaro made the motion to excuse Aaron Joslin from tonight's board meeting and Bill Kline seconded the motion. Motion carried.

M21-068... At 7:00 p.m. Mark Verzella made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Patrick Arcaro seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:00 p.m. Mark Verzella made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Patrick Arcaro seconded the motion. Motion carried.