

CONNEAUT PORT AUTHORITY
929 BROAD STREET
CONNEAUT, OHIO 44030
January 20, 2022

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

PRESENT: George Peterson, Bill Kennedy, Patrick Arcaro, Denver Spieldenner and Paul Gauvin

VIRTUALLY: Aaron Joslin, Bill Kline, Tom Perkoski, Mark Verzella and Babs Legeza

MINUTES: A motion was made by Bill Kennedy to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2021, Board meeting and was seconded by Patrick Arcaro. Roll Call: Patrick Arcaro, Bill Kennedy, George Peterson, Mark Verzella, Aaron Joslin and Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Denver Spieldenner

Denver reported that the most recent information from the Core of Engineers states that June of 2022 water levels will be about the same as they were in June of 2021. Water levels at the end of the 2021 season were still about 14 inches above normal.

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HARBORMASTER REPORT JANUARY 20, 2022

- Our office returned to work on January 5, 2022. This included the Harbormaster, Maintenance Supervisor, and Administrative Assistant.
- All buildings are being checked regularly for heat. So far, there are no issues.
- We are working with Conneaut Creek Float & Fly to situate a shed at Public Dock for their operation in the harbor. We are also working to place a shed at the Woodworth Road launch ramp as well as making improvements to the parking area and providing security lighting and possible ramp improvement at the Woodworth Road site.
- We are researching grant funding for various projects from ODNR and other sources.
- We had to pull two sections of the new kayak ramp at the Welton Road access site due to ice on Conneaut Creek. We will replace them in the Spring as soon as the weather permits.

Respectfully submitted:
Denver Spieldenner
Harbormaster Conneaut Port Authority

Maintenance Report: Nothing to report at this meeting.

Dock Report

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Board Meeting

Payments are coming in nicely, no problems currently.

As of January 18, 2022 Open Docks

20 for 20 foot and under in the **Lagoon** (No-One waiting for this size)

One for 21 foot and under in the **Lagoon**

Three for 24 foot in the **Lagoon**

One for 28 foot in the **Lagoon**

One for a 27 foot in the **PCM**

Two for 25 foot in the **PCM**

11 for 24 and under in the **PCM** (Possibly, 3 or 4 will buy these)

One for 30 and under in the **PCM**

On the Waiting List there is No-One listed under 22 feet for a boat length.

That means that 21 docks have no-one wanting them and will probably remain empty.

Most are not wanting the PCM, because of Parking, the Restaurant and Price.

I'm still making phone calls and hoping for the fullest as possible.

FINANCE REPORT: Patrick Arcaro

Bill Kline made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and it was seconded by Mark Verzella. Roll Call: Patrick Arcaro, Bill Kennedy, George Peterson, Mark Verzella, Aaron Joslin, Tom Perkoski and Bill Kline. Motion carried.

Bill Kennedy made the motion to pay the Current Bills and Patrick Arcaro seconded the motion.

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

LEASE COMMITTEE REPORT: Bill Kennedy

- Fuel Dock Lease has been updated
- Float & Fly Amendment complete. Addresses a change in leadership from Courtney Fobes to Dan Armstrong and Billy Brown. Extended the lease an additional year and allows them to rent watercraft on the Public Dock.
- Ice machine lease needs to be updated.
- Denny Distelrath (Fuel Dock) has been approached by a guy wanting to sell Pizza near the fuel dock. We will meet with both to discuss a lease.
- I will meet with Mike Morgan to discuss routine maintenance of the Breakwall Restaurant's grease traps and power washing the area near where they cook outdoors more often.

GRANTS & PLANNING: Aaron Joslin

- Three Proposals
- CMAG

ADVERTISING/COMMUNICATION: Tom Perkoski

- Nothing in the works currently.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE: Tom Perkoski

- Gold Level Clean Marina Status will be presented to the Conneaut Port Authority at the convention on March 1, 2022 at the Geneva State Lodge.
- Tom also spoke about the need for Dock Boxes for storing the BOOMS.
- There needs to be a written set of instructions for the standard procedures of recovering a boat in distress at the docks.

OLD BUSINESS: George Peterson

- Current officers will remain in place for the upcoming term.
 - George Peterson Chairman
 - William Kennedy Vice Chairman
 - Patrick Arcaro Treasurer
 - Aaron Joslin Secretary

Mark Verzella made the motion to accept the current slate of officers for the upcoming term and it was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Roll Call: Patrick Arcaro, Bill Kennedy, George Peterson, Mark Verzella, Aaron Joslin, Tom Perkoski and Bill Kline. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: George Peterson

2022 Budget was discussed.

Bill Kline made the motion to accept the 2022 budget as presented and Bill Kennedy seconded the motion. Roll Call: Patrick Arcaro, Bill Kennedy, George Peterson, Mark Verzella, Aaron Joslin, Tom Perkoski and Bill Kline. Motion carried.

Pay raises will be finalized at the February 17, 2022 and be set retroactive to January 1, 2022.

Patrick Arcaro brought up the idea about board members dressing up once a month and that they should consider doing a photo soon. Denver said that they have done this in the past and it is a very good idea. George said once the pandemic improves, he would like to see this happen.

NEW COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: George Peterson

George went over all the committees and explained the reason for some of the changes. He also, informed the board that Denver is being added to the Grant committee.

Employee Resignation: George Peterson

George informed the board members that Sheri Dawson put her notice in on January 14, 2022 to resign from her position. George thanked Sheri for all her work over the past two years and thanked her for providing them with a six-week notice. Sheri's last day is February 25, 2022.

MOTIONS:

M22-001...A motion was made by Bill Kennedy to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2021, Board meeting and was seconded by Patrick Arcaro. Roll Call: Patrick Arcaro, Bill Kennedy, George Peterson, Mark Verzella, Aaron Joslin and Tom Perkoski. Motion carried.

M22-002...Bill Kline made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and it was seconded by Mark Verzella. Roll Call: Patrick Arcaro, Bill Kennedy, George Peterson, Mark Verzella, Aaron Joslin, Tom Perkoski and Bill Kline. Motion carried.

M22-003...Bill Kennedy made the motion to pay the Current Bills and Patrick Arcaro seconded the motion. Roll Call: Patrick Arcaro, Bill Kennedy, George Peterson, Mark Verzella, Aaron Joslin, and Bill Kline. Tom Perkoski abstained. Motion carried.

M22-004...Mark Verzella made the motion to accept the current slate of officers for the upcoming term and it was seconded by Tom Perkoski. Roll Call: Patrick Arcaro, Bill Kennedy, George Peterson, Mark Verzella, Aaron Joslin, Tom Perkoski and Bill Kline. Motion carried.

M22-005...Bill Kline made the motion to accept the 2022 budget as presented and Bill Kennedy seconded the motion. Roll Call: Patrick Arcaro, Bill Kennedy, George Peterson, Mark Verzella, Aaron Joslin, Tom Perkoski and Bill Kline. Motion carried.

M22-006... At 7:03 p.m. Bill Kennedy made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Patrick Arcaro seconded the motion. Roll Call: Patrick Arcaro, Bill Kennedy, George Peterson, Mark Verzella, Aaron Joslin, Tom Perkoski and Bill Kline. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

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