

Monthly Board Meeting July 17, 2025

Conneaut Port Authority
929 Broad Street
Conneaut, Ohio 44030
7-17-25

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Bill Kline

Board Members Present: Bill Kline, Patrick Arcaro, Kristina Daugherty, Mark Presley, Debbie Newcomb, Keith Jury, Tim Kraus

Absent:

Staff: Denver Spieldenner, Terri Trisket

Others in attendance: Terry Mosio- City Council President

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

Motion: Tim Kraus; second: Mark Presley

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

Motion Carried

Correspondence:

Great Lakes Water Level Report: Lake levels are down 6-8"

D-Day letter, letter from D-Day on needs for the 2025 event.

Denver received a quote to replace the electric pedestals in PCM for 52 of them it will \$65,156

We received sponsorship requests from the Music Boosters, and the Conneaut Youth Center.

These have been passed on to the appropriate committee.

Audience Participation:

City Council President, Terry Moio thanked the Port Authority for all of our efforts to maintain the lakefront.

Harbormaster Report:

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Harbormaster Report July 17, 2025

● **Docks**

- We repaired the wood decking and surround on one of the docks on A wall in the Lagoon.
- We continue to have electrical issues in both marinas due to power cords dropping in the water or not hooked up properly allowing water to enter connections thus tripping the ground faults.
- All of the old jet ski docks have either been sold or trashed. (most were sold)
- We are going to replace a lot of our old gfci receptacles in the lagoon marina.

● **Equipment**

- The air conditioner in the New Holland TD5050 tractor needs to be repaired. This probably won't happen until this fall.

- The pontoon boat had two leaks in it so we had Kelly Welding repair it.
- Misc.
 - People are continuing to dump bait and fish remains in our trash cans.
 - We have ordered additional “ no dogs on sandbar signs.”
 - We have had some boat trailers parked on our lot above the sewer plant without our permission. We have ordered them removed.
 - We continue to mow and rake the sandbar as needed.
 - We will be painting the chain link fence around the pickleball courts at Dean Avenue. These are rusty and unsightly.
 - There is a new American flag in the PCM marina thanks to a donation by one of our dockholders. They also purchased a light to shine on it after dark.
 - We are checking on the cost of ten new picnic tables from ATEC.

Respectfully submitted: Denver Spieldenner

Harbormaster

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Additional: the lagoon restroom keypads are still not working due to the fiber cable being damaged , the repair is estimated to take 2-3 weeks.

There is a boat and trailer in the parking lot. Attempts have been made to find information on the owner, but the registration is expired in 2024, and the trailer has no plates. This will be towed.

Dock report:

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2025 contracts

Available docks:

Lagoon

A: 1-\$1250, 2-\$1800, 2-\$2400

B: 7-\$1450, 0-\$1800, 1-\$2050

C: 2-\$1250, 1-\$1800

D: 2-\$1250

E: 4-\$1250, 4-\$1800

F: 7-\$1800, 0-\$2050

PCM

A: 1-\$2050

B: 3-\$1800

C: 0-\$2050, 2-\$1800

Jet Ski

Lagoon:0

PCM: 4

I have two contracts pending currently

Office updates:

NFWF Costal Resilience Plan: The Public Meeting went well. The team is working hard to incorporate feedback from the stakeholders and public into the final draft of the plan.

Our NFWF CRF application will be submitted on 7-16, we are grateful to receive a letter of support from the City, the County Port Authority, the library, and the Chamber of Commerce.

Next week monitoring and final reporting will be completed for the first round of the PAMF Grant will be completed. I will be reaching out for another round of spraying in September.

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 June's bills

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Keith Jury

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

Motion Carried

Motion to accept the appropriation and receipt adjustments as written

Motion: Tim Kraus; second: Keith Jury

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

Motion Carried

Old Business:

We have one seasonal vendor and had one event vendor for the July 4th weekend. There is potential interest in installing second ice machine in the marina. The lease committee will follow up.

New Business:

Committee Reports:

Grants and Planning (Bill Kline/Terri Trisket): none

Environmental: none

Finance (Patrick Arcaro): met to discuss appropriations adjustments

Communications (Kristina Daugherty):none

Lease (Mark Presley): none

Float and Fly building: we paid \$75,000 for the building and at a rough estimate put \$31,000 into the repairs. We will continue to work through the file to get accurate values

2026 season rates

Docks

We need to do a small increase to account for inflation. Our supply costs are going up. It would be better to create incremental increases annually instead of waiting several years and adding a larger increase.

An increase of ¾% up to 9% were discussed.

Should the increase be a percentage or a dollar amount.

Discussion surrounding out of town vs. local. As local taxes do not contribute to the docks this is not justified.

Currently national inflation is at 2.7%

Motion to increase 2026 dock prices by 2.5%

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Tim Kraus

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

Motion Carried

Boat Launch the boat launch will stay at \$10 for the 2026 season. Season Passes will stay at \$300. There has been a request for a kayak/jet ski season pass. To launch a jet ski or a kayak it is \$5. A season pass would be \$150 or \$125 each for 2

Motion to approve a season pass for jet ski launches for \$150 or \$125 each for 2.

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Tim Kraus

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

Motion Carried

Sandbar rates: every year we lose money on the Sandbar. Last year by reducing the days of the week we were able to make a slight profit when it comes to just purely labor. But once we factor in maintenance and portable restrooms we are again at a loss.

Sandbar is a unique experience it is the only place on Lake Erie you can drive on the beach. Should we have a local price vs. and out of town price. How do we implement this? We need to study this more and decide at a later time.

Motion to enter Executive Session at 7:16 pm to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual.

Motion: Patrick Arcaro; second: Keith Jury

Roll Call Vote

Bill Kline-yes

Patrick Arcaro-yes

Kristina Daugherty-yes

Mark Presley-yes

Debbie Newcomb-yes

Tim Kraus-yes

Keith Jury-yes

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

Motion to return to regular session at 7:50 pm

Motion: Mark Presley; second: Keith Jury

Roll Call Vote

Bill Kline-yes

Patrick Arcaro-yes

Kristina Daugherty-yes

Mark Presley-yes

Debbie Newcomb-yes

Tim Kraus-yes

Keith Jury-yes

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

Motion Carried

Motion to Adjourn made at 7:51 PM

Motion: Patrick Arcaro; second: Keith Jury

Motions:

25-35 Motion to accept minutes from the June Board Meeting

Motion: Tim Kraus; second: Mark Presley

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

25-36 Motion to accept Treasurer's reports

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Mark Presley

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

25-37 Motion to ratify the payment of June's bills

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Keith Jury

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

25-38 Motion to accept the appropriation and receipt adjustments as written

Motion: Tim Kraus; second: Keith Jury

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

25-39 Motion to increase 2026 dock prices by 2.5%

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Tim Kraus

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

25-40 Motion to approve a season pass for jet ski launches for \$150 or \$125 each for 2.

Motion: Kristina Daugherty; second: Tim Kraus

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

25-41 Motion to enter Executive Session at 7:16 pm to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual.

Motion: Patrick Arcaro; second: Keith Jury

Roll Call Vote

Bill Kline-yes

Patrick Arcaro-yes

Kristina Daugherty-yes

Mark Presley-yes

Debbie Newcomb-yes

Tim Kraus-yes

Keith Jury-yes

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

25-42 Motion to return to regular session at 7:50 pm

Motion: Mark Presley; second: Keith Jury

Roll Call Vote

Bill Kline-yes

Patrick Arcaro-yes

Kristina Daugherty-yes

Mark Presley-yes

Debbie Newcomb-yes

Tim Kraus-yes

Keith Jury-yes

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

25-43 Motion to Adjourn made at 7:51 PM

Motion: Patrick Arcaro; second: Keith Jury