

**FISH CREEK HARBOR COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2009  
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER**

**Call to Order:** The Fish Creek Harbor Commission was called to order at 7:33 a.m. by Dave Harris, chairman.

Members present: Dave Harris, Brian Merkel, Leigh Zielke and Paul Woerfel.

Members absent: Joel Blahnik

Also present: Dock Master Brian Holan and Hans and Jennifer Ribbens

**Approve Minutes:** *It was moved by Zielke and seconded by Merkel to approve the minutes of November 17, 2009 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*

**Dock Master Report:** Dock Master Holan had nothing to report.

**Chair Report:** Harris stated that Mike Kahr raised the fuel dock 18" yesterday. Maintenance will put up the "Keep Off" sign over the welcome sign on the dock gate for seasonal safety reasons. Ice eaters will be installed within the next few days.

**2009 Mooring Regulation Non-compliance Appeals Moorings # 3, 26, 33, 45 and 51:** Harris stated that for a number of years the mooring area has been difficult to get in order for a number of reasons and has been inherently unfair to those individuals on the waiting list. The intent for the commission was to clean up the waiting list and make best use of the mooring area.

Mooring holders who are appealing the commission ruling sent in appeal letters and are either available via conference call or in attendance. Appeal letters stated reasons refuting non-compliance or justifying non-compliance with the exception of Jennifer Ribbens. Harris asked for the Ribbens explanation. Hans Ribbens responded that their boat had ended up on the rocks and sustained substantial damage. Harris stated that this being said the balance of the reasons supplied seemed to be reasonable for why they could not be on their mooring. Harris noted that there had been an oversight on the commission's part and that one year is allowed to be off the mooring as written in the rules and regulations and will be honored. Merkel stated that these moorings should be documented for using the one year allowance mooring absence. *It was moved by Harris and seconded by Zielke to allow another year on the moorings # 3, 26, 33, 45 and 51 provided all other compliance issues are met. Note will be made of the documentation of the reasons they had not to be on the moorings coupled with our misinformation that was sent out. Motion carried unanimously.*

Mooring holders will be advised that they are to notify the Dock Master when their boat is put on the mooring. The Dock Master will create a log to document when a mooring holder has put on for the season. This should be added into the rules and regulations and the renewal letter.

**Open Discussion:** Dock Master Holan researched a change for combination lock for the restrooms. Several vendors were found for Preso-matic locks. This the same type as is used on the Chambers Island Fire Station and the old mainland fire station. Passage keys will be needed beside the locks. He stated that he can do the installation this spring. Several sets of cards can be purchased to allow for combination changes. Three sets of cards were recommended by the commission. The order will be placed prior to the end of the year.

Zielke stated that the \$9,000 Port-A-Pier quote was for 1 dock consisting of 2 lengths of floaters. The commission had understood the quote to be for 2 complete docks. Zielke will check into this further.

*Adjourn to Closed Session: It was moved by Merkel and seconded by Zielke to adjourn to closed session under Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(c) Personnel Matters. A roll call voice vote was taken: All ayes– Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:51 a.m.*

**FISH CREEK HARBOR COMMISSION  
CLOSED SESSION  
PER WISCONSIN STATUTE 19.85 (1)(c)**

**Call to Order:** The meeting of the Fish Creek Harbor Commission closed session was called to order by Dave Harris, chairman at 7:51 a.m.

Members present were Dave Harris, Brian Merkel, Paul Woerfel and Leigh Zielke

**Personnel Matters:** Discussion was held per Wisconsin Statutes per 19.85 (1)(c).

**Adjourn to Open Session:** *It was moved by Merkel and seconded by Woerfel to adjourn to open session as posted. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned to open session at 8:35 a.m.*

**FISH CREEK HARBOR COMMISSION  
OPEN SESSION  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION**

**Call to Order:** Fish Creek Harbor Commission was called to order at 7:35 a.m. by Dave Harris, chairman.

**Approve Action Taken in Closed Session:** *It was moved by Merkel and seconded by Woerfel to approve the action taken in closed session. The action taken in closed session was to offer a 2010 rehire to Brian Holan as Dock Master and to send 2010 rehire dock staff letters to Nick Rogers, Chase Austin, Matt Petersilka, Hannah Jorgensen and Chrystal Kugle with a response date of January 15, 2010.*

**Adjourn:** *It was moved by Merkel and seconded by Zielke to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:35 a.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Hagen  
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer