

Approved: July 20, 2016

**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
HARBOR COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2016, MINUTES
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER
7:30 A.M.**

Call to Order: David Harris called the meeting to order at 7:30 A.M.

Present: Chairman Harris stated that a quorum of the Commission was present. Members present: Dave Harris, Paul Woerfel, Brian Merkel, Rick Hecker and Greg Swain
Also present: Dennis Shermerhorn

Proper Notice/Adopt Agenda: Harris verified the agenda had been properly noticed.

Motion: (Merkel/Hecker) to adopt the agenda as posted. Carried

Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings: *Motion: (Swain/Merkel) to approve the minutes from the May 18, 2016 meeting, as amended. Carried*

Chair Report: Harris reported the fuel dock was scheduled to get raised this morning, but due to the weather, will get postponed until tomorrow. The new coordinates are in process. Harris called Tammy Bastian regarding the HNR lease. One request of theirs was to keep the road open.

Dockmaster Report: Schermerhorn reported the weather was great last week, many transients. Working to keep courtesy parking working. Swim buoys will be going in. Kahr came in and inspected the barge mooring location. It will work well. Staffing has returned and is great, Nora's expanded role has been well received. Will need to order fuel for next week.

Public Comment: None

4th of July Preparations: Hackbarth reported that the same crew chief for the fireworks will be available 7-9 AM for loading the barge, he is happy to work with the staff, as needed. The heavy equipment will need to be relocated. In the past it has been parked in the back of the lot. The logistics of getting it out is difficult. Shermerhorn will talk to Kahr regarding the relocation. Coast guard and Mike Neal have been contacted. The dinghy needs proper lights, as it was ticketed last year. Venetian/dinghy parade will happen around 9:30 PM with fireworks at 10 PM. Meeting at 8:30 PM at the Quo dock with the fire dept.

Recommendation for Bid Process for Rental of West Town Dock for 2017 Season: The lease from Sister Bay, has been forwarded to the Town attorney, which will take some time. The waterfront plan will play a part. Mr. Clark is opposed to expanding the launch into the park. The Quo dock doesn't need to be that wide and can pick up space there. A steering committee meeting is scheduled for July 28th at 7 PM. SEH will be presenting the final draft plan.

Sister Bay separated silent sports from motor sports. They charge a linear footage rate, plus a percent increase for commercial, with a three year contract. The ticket office was designed to accommodate three vendors. The chair of the marina committee is John Clove.

It was asked why the town has to put it out to bids. For fairness it needs to be opened up. Don't need to take the highest bidder, but need to look at the overall best operation.

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Need to give the Town Board direction. The Town Board has requested the bid process. Do we need to limit type of use or number of vendors? The west side of the Dock is complicated due to the proximity of the Alibi. It would be difficult to have more than one vendor on that side. The type of uses will be approved by the Harbor Commission. Some uses may not be in the best interest of the harbor and will not be permitted by the Harbor Commission. The commission will review each proposal individually.

Motion: (Hecker/Woerfel) to recommend to the Town Board to accept proposals for the West side of the Quo dock: 3 slips totaling 75 ft and separate proposals for one slip totaling 53 ft on the East side. Uses and rates of these spaces to be approved by the Harbor Commission. Both proposals can come from the same business. Carried.

Set next meeting date: July 20, 2016, time 7:30 A.M.

Adjourn: *Motion: (Hecker/Woerfel) to adjourn at 8:26 A.M. Carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Murre
Deputy Clerk