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Minutes of the January 28, 2013 Special Budget Meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission
Approved: 2/13/2013

A meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission (JHC) was held Monday, January 28, 2013 at the Jamestown Town Hall, 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, Rhode Island.

Chairman deAngeli called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM with roll call:

Present:

Michael deAngeli, Chairman
Ed McGuirl, Commissioner
Chris Brown, Commissioner
Patrick Bolger, Commissioner
Larry Eichler, Commissioner

Also in attendance:

Chief Edward Mello, Executive Director
Christina Collins, Finance Director
Mike Gray, Public Works Director
Kim Devlin, Harbor Clerk & Recording Secretary

NEW BUSINESS
A. FY 2013/2014 Budget

The meeting began with a question by Commissioner Eichler on the channel markers and buoys, and the necessity for the \$15,000 budget.

A discussion on the USCG PATON regulations and the need for Jamestown to become compliant ensued.

Commissioner Bolger noticed the increased contribution to the boat capitalization fund.

Executive Director Mello replied that the rate at which the fund is accumulating is insufficient. The eastern will need replaced very soon and the rate at which we are saving money for a boat, it will be ten years before we have the funds. The contribution needs to be increased.

A discussion on the boat value and depreciation, and how those numbers are represented in the retained earnings, audit, and budget ensued.

Executive Director Mello reviewed the Infrastructure anticipated expenses. A discussion on the Ft. Getty pier and road repairs ensued.

Mike Gray, Public Works Director, stated that the Ft. Getty pier should be inspected to determine the condition it is in. It is difficult to state to FEMA which damage happened due to Sandy, because the pier was in disrepair when the storm hit. We need the inspection as a starting point.

Commissioner McGuirl stated that in Type 1 waters, as the Ft. Getty pier is, if any major damage occurred and the pier was unusable, CRMC may not approve the permit to rebuild. It would be wise to maintain the pier as to not run the risk of losing it completely.

Commissioner Bolger asked if that was something Sam (Harbormaster) could do, as he did for the outhauls. Chairman deAngeli asked Executive Director Mello to contact Sam and ask if he would be interested in diving on the pier.

A discussion on the East Ferry seawall and Dumping Drive project ensued.

Chairman deAngeli stated that he does not agree with the prior town councils decision to use harbor funds for the repair of the seawall and road, and plans to revisit the issue with the town council.

Bill Munger stated that he did not feel the harbor budget should include contributions to the East Ferry seawall and Dumping Drive infrastructure repair projects. He feels the harbor funds are better spent elsewhere.

A discussion on retained earnings ensued.

B. Long Range Infrastructure Plan

A discussion on the five year plan ensued.

Commissioner Bolger suggested that if the Jamestown Harbor Commission would like to revisit the East Ferry seawall and Dumping Drive project with the town council, the Jamestown Harbor Commission should have an idea of what other projects the Commission feels are better suited for Harbor funds.

C. Permit Fees

Chairman deAngeli moved that the harbor rates do not change for the upcoming season. Commissioner McGuirl seconded. So voted (5 ayes, 0 nays).

OPEN FORUM

No Open Forum.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner McGuirl moved to adjourn at 10:05AM, Commissioner Brown seconded. So voted; (5 ayes, 0 nays).

Respectfully submitted,


Kim Devlin
Harbor Clerk