LA CROSSE JOINT BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS
La Crosse County Administrative Center, Room 3220
Monday, February 18, 2013
4:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Fisher-VP, Commissioner Donald Meyer, Commissioner Wayne Oliver, Commissioner Thomas Thompson, Commissioner Bob Seaquist, Commissioner Steve Earp, Commissioner James Bertram, Captain Michael Horstman

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Marc Schultz-President

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF/GUESTS: Karl Green-La Crosse County UW-Extension, Larry Kirch/Nathan Patros-City Planners, Ed McCann-Warden

OTHERS PRESENT:

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m.

1) Approval of the minutes of the January 22nd meeting of the Port of La Crosse Joint Board of Harbor Commissioners.
   - A motion was made by Thomas Thompson to approve the January 22nd meeting minutes, Bob Seaquist seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

2) Public Comment
   - No public comment

3) Commissioner Comments and Concern
   - Steve Earp brought up issue of aeration on catgut slough causing inaccessibility to water.
   - WDNR-Warden – Municipal law issue regarding removal of ice, prevention of ice forming. Thought it was either Town of Campbell, City or County Sheriff issue
     - Michael Horstman said it was a town/town police issue.

4) Update on Harbor land on St. Cloud and Sumner Street (300 St. Cloud St.)
   - Larry Kirch said city sold some of this property to Hydrite Chemical for building and four spaces of parking agreement circa 1995. Stormwater Utility charges are around 400-1,000/year. Larry to talk to manager of Hydrite.
   - Bob Seaquist made a motion to either lease or sell property at assessed value, Thomas Thompson seconded the motion. City assessor could put value on it, instead of appraisal lost (just blacktop area), would have to put through public board.
   - Bob Seaquist amended motion to declare paved area north of Hydrite as public surplus and up for lease, or sale. Thomas Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5) Further discussion of possible Slow-No Wake Zone in Swift Creek from the 7th Street culvert west to Swift Creek/Bluff Sloughs
   - Discussed elevations of 7th Street culvert, 1.66’ river elevation at bottom (as-built info), and 13.66’ (as-built info) river elevation.
   - WDNR Game Warden said he has no evidence this area is unsafe (no complaints).
   - Michael Horstman suggested signs saying to slow down.
   - Thompson brought up issue of safety for 2 boats moving through there.
   - Larry Kirch thinks money from TIF, Gundersen’ development agreement, Stormwater Utility. Larry Kirch to follow up the city on potential capital improvements budget for this activity.

6) 2014-2016 State of Intentions
   - Reviewed Brennan Marine’s bid for Harold E. Craig riprap, Tripod barge construction. City provided their copies, continuing their prospected projects. Bob Seaquist motioned to approve
city 3-year Statement of Intention, Thomas Thompson second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Donald Meyer motioned to approve the county riprap and Statement of Intention, Steve Earp seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

7) ORA – Water Trails Route Committee
- Group met February 14th
- Redevelopment authority has agreed to donate land west of train bridge.

8) Annual Report update
- Nothing to report

9) 2013 Monthly Calendar of Events Review
- Reviewed

10) Future Agenda Items
- Report on boat show
- Marion with Coast Guard Authority
- Need to talk with Dean Haen on Port Plan

11) Adjourn
- A motion was made by Thomas Thompson to adjourn. Seconded by James Bertram. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Approved, March 25, 2013, Karl Green, Harbor Commission Secretary