



**Provincetown Public Pier Corporation (PPPC)
Judge Welsh Room - Town Hall
Meeting Minutes of Thursday, July 24, 2014**

Members Present: Kerry Adams (KA), Carlos Verde (CV), and Herbie Hintze (HH).

Members Absent: Scott Fraser (SF) (via telephone) and Ginny Binder (excused).

Other Attendees: Rex McKinsey (RM), Harbormaster and Ellen C. Battaglini, Administrative Assistant.

Chair Kerry Adams called the Public Meeting to order at 5:25 P.M.

AGENDA

Public Statements:

None.

Special Agenda Items:

None.

Review of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting on 07/10/14 as written.

Motion: Herbie Hintze

2nd: Carlos Verde

Vote: Roll Call:

CV: Yes.

HH: Yes.

KA: Yes.

Motion passes.

Directors' Statements

CV: He thinks the Pier is running well. He is impressed by the new pumpout boat. Speeding vehicles is still an issue on the Pier. He has been noticing small boats, including inflatables with outboards, traveling at faster rates of speed in the Harbor.

HH: He asked RM is the Kalmar Nyckel could alter its schedule of trips as it takes the vessel a long time to maneuver when it leaves the dock and it blocks the entrance to the Harbor, interfering with the ferry schedule.

SF: None.

KA: He agrees with CV that vehicular speeding on the Pier is still an issue. The speed bumps that were purchased have made a slight difference. He has noticed boats traveling at faster rates of speed in the Harbor as well.

RM said that the effect of the speed bumps was noticeable and that a second set might be installed. He suggested purchasing a solar-powered radar speed trailer when the money becomes available.

A motion was made to spend up to \$2000 to purchase a radar speed trailer.

Motion: Carlos Verde **2nd:** Herbie Hintze

RM would like to purchase two radar speed signs. The Board discussed the motion. CV amended the motion.

A motion was made to spend up to \$3500 to purchase radar speed trailers with the condition that if a mailing situation becomes available a full Board will reconsider the motion or a public meeting will be held.

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SF suggested putting up one trailer and finding out if that has an effect and if not, then an enforcement aspect could be added. CV agreed and said that RM can buy one and test it and then decide if purchasing another one makes sense if the issue did not improve.

Vote: Roll Call:

CV: Yes.

HH: Yes.

KA: Yes.

SF: Yes.

Motion passes.

Working Group Reports

Zoning Board of Appeals decision:

The ZBA is in the process of writing the decision and the twenty-day appeal period will begin when the decision is filed with the Town Clerk. RM spoke with the Town Planner who said that normally if an appeal were going to be filed, she normally would be getting inquiries as to when the filing was going to occur. Or she would already have heard from someone who was aggrieved by either the proposal or the decision. She has not had any inquiries concerning the matter. In the meantime, the installation of new plumbing and the rehabilitation of the Pavilion can commence.

Pier Manager's Report

Charles Morgan – The Charles Morgan was a success and the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary exhibits and events that NOAA staged in the Pavilion, as well as up and down the Pier, were successful. The Center for Coastal Studies was also involved. RM would like to build on that relationship so that the Sanctuary can have more of a presence in Town.

The Board briefly discussed the upcoming 400th anniversary of the landing of the Mayflower, how to coordinate with other entities and how to incorporate the Pier into the celebration. CV would like to find out what the Town is planning so the Pier can coordinate. RM said that the Tourism Director, the Visitors' Services Board and the Monument are interacting with the Town of Plymouth and other groups in regard to the celebration.

Physical plant – The power pedestals on the 'T' have been replaced and the pavilion is being rehabilitated with wood stain, steel enamel and lighting upgrades.

Beached boat tagging – The annual beached boat tagging process has begun.

Yacht business – The motor yacht business has increased. CV suggested trying to advertise for this business. RM said that he is thinking about alternate dockage space for yachts on the Pier, as many do not like to be tied up next to passengers queuing up for the ferries.

Tenant survey – RM explained that since Dan Maggio is doing surveys and research for his master's thesis, he could potentially also conduct a survey of Pier tenants to find out what their needs are and their opinions about how the space on the 'T' should be used.

Cruise ship – A cruise ship has been booked for October 28, 2016. It is a chartered trip and will be here on a Halloween weekend.

Town budget process – The Town has changed its budget process. It has asked department heads to start putting together their CIP budgets by August 15th. The budget schedule for the coming year is in the Board's packet. RM has submitted something in regard to the floating docks project, which will need local matching funds, in order to give the Town a sense of the project.

Priorities list – RM reviewed the updated priorities list. CV asked if the truck could be repaired and traded in for a vehicle that would more suit the needs of the Pier. RM would like to be able to use it for a year or so and then look at purchasing a more utilitarian vehicle. CV mentioned Marine 1 and its possible replacement within the next five years. The Board agreed to keep the HM vessel with fire-fighting capability on the priorities list. CV requested a report on where the Pier Corp. is financially.

The home-made boat race is on Monday and will take place on Ryder Street beach. It is a fundraiser for the Center for Coastal Studies and is part of the festivities for Whale Week.

KA called for a motion to go into Executive Session in order to discuss a legal matter.

There was a motion made at 6:07 P.M. to go into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a), subparagraph 3, and to not reconvene in Regular Session thereafter.

Motion: Carlos Verde

2nd: Herbie Hintze

Vote: Roll Call:

CV: Yes.

SF: Yes

HH: Yes.

KA: Yes.

Motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen C. Battaglini,
PPPC Administrative Coordinator

Kerry Adams, Chair