

**Provincetown Public Pier Corporation (PPPC)
Judge Welsh Hearing Room
Meeting Minutes of
Thursday, October 7, 2004**

Present: Paul deRuyter, Chair, Lee Ash, John Baldwin, and Chip Bradish

Excused Absence: George Hitchcock

Other Attendees: Rex McKinsey, Pier Manager

Paul deRuyter, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:10 introducing the members present.

Chairman deRuyter read two letters from the Board of Selectmen commending and praising Rex McKinsey on his work on the Schooner Weekend and the Fishers and Farmers Market.

1. *Commercial Dock Rates Hearing - continued from the meeting of September 9th.*

Lee Ash spoke about a meeting she and George Hitchcock had with the fishermen and felt it went well. She learned a lot about past history and opened a dialogue between the fishermen and the Pier Corp. Directors.

Lee Ash asked if the Pier Corp. is looking for Profish to come forward with proposing rate increases. Mr. deRuyter replied that Profish has an obligation to do more than complain and should provide constructive suggestions.

Mr. deRuyter also feels that the rates will be set by yearend. Lee Ash stated that until the lease is finalized, she does not feel comfortable with imposing any rents on any tenants. John Baldwin and Chip Bradish also agreed.

A motion was made to continue the discussion of Commercial Dock Rates at the meeting of November 18th, 2004.

Moved by: Lee Ash

Seconded by: John Baldwin

Yea: 4 Nay: 0

Public Statements

Paul deRuyter asked for any comments from the public and there were none.

Director's Comments

Chairman deRuyter asked for any comments from the Directors. John Baldwin said that he was leaving for two months the week after October 18th for business commitments and would not be at any of the meetings during that period.

Lee Ash suggested taking Item 4 on the agenda as the next item to move things along as Mr. Joe Vinagre was in attendance.

Chip Bradish felt that he was getting distracted with smaller details and the agenda should be worked around this. He suggested that the next meeting be a work session discussing Management Structure or these items should be worked into the regular meeting agenda.

4. *New Business – A&K Trucking – Joe Vinagre*

Rex McKinsey explained this item. He found that a truck permit fits in to handle Mr. Vinagre's request in a timely manner. Mr. Vinagre spoke and explained his situation.

The proposed course of action is that the trucking company will purchase delivery truck permits for \$1,000 for the right to park a 45-foot trailer unit on the pier and switch out as needed until December 31st. The fee was originally approved November 2003 for use by fuel trucks and is the closest permit existing to handle the request in a timely manner.

A motion was made to approve the truck permit for \$1,000 for the whiting season ending December 31st and the location of the semi-trailer will be approved by Rex McKinsey.

Moved by: Lee Ash **Seconded by:** Paul deRuyter **Yea:** 4 **Nay:** 0

2. ***Pier Manager's Report***

- a. **Disclosure of Potential Conflict of Interest.** The memo Rex McKinsey provided will be on file. John Baldwin felt that it was inappropriate for the Pier Manager to support one of the renters. Chip Bradish stated that if Mr. McKinsey is wearing the uniform of the Pier Manager, he should be careful as to what and whom he is representing. Paul deRuyter stated that Mr. McKinsey should state that he is representing the party as an individual not as Pier Manager.
- b. **Harbormaster Winter Schedule.** Rex McKinsey handed out the winter work schedule in the harbormaster's office. He stated that he is the only one in the office during the day. The Marine Dept. does not want to hire another person at this time. Chip Bradish feels that the help problem in the harbormaster's office is not a case for the Pier Corp. Mr. deRuyter feels that once costs for the harbormaster's office is determined it will go into the lease and be part of rent. Lee Ash suggested writing a letter with a one month approval and Paul deRuyter stated that no time limit be given until further notice. Lee Ash will compose the letter and send a draft to Mr. deRuyter addressed to Rex McKinsey with a copy to Chief Meyer based on Rex's recommendations.

3. ***Status of Lease Negotiations***

- a. **Status of Lease Negotiations.** Paul deRuyter sent an email to Larry Uchill regarding what was discussed and hopes to have a response by next week.
- b. **Treasurer's Report.** Chip Bradish had no comments as yet. Rex McKinsey went over his report. They will need a bill of sale and receipts from Profish.
- c. **Pier Regulations/Commercial Fisher Definitions.** It was stated that it is hard to get the fishermen to come up with definitions.

Minutes

Because time ran out, the approval of the minutes of the last meeting will be voted on at the next meeting.

The next public hearing of the Pier Corp. will be on October 21st, 2004 at 4:00 PM.

It was moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 PM.

Moved by: Lee Ash **Seconded by:** John Baldwin **Yea:** 4 **Nay:** 0

Minutes Respectively
Submitted by
Joel Glasser

Paul deRuyter, Chairman

Date