

**Provincetown Public Pier Corporation (PPPC)
Judge Welsh Hearing Room
Meeting Minutes of
Thursday, October 21, 2004**

Present: Paul deRuyter, Chair, Lee Ash, George Hitchcock, and Chip Bradish

Excused Absence: John Baldwin

Other Attendees: Rex McKinsey, Pier Manager

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

1. **Public Hearing** – Offloading Enforcement By-law Amendment for Fall Town Meeting

Rex McKinsey explained that this By-law Amendment allows the Pier Corp. to sell offloading permits as a revenue source by adding Section 1-8-9 by amending the Pier Regulations.

It was moved that the Provincetown Public Pier Corporation amend the Pier Regulations by adding Section 1-8-9 as follows:

1-8-9 Any person offloading seafood or gear from MacMillan Pier shall do so only in locations approved by the PPPC or its designee. No person shall conduct seafood or gear offloading from any portion of MacMillan Pier without obtaining a permit issued by either the PPPC or the entity authorized by the PPPC pursuant to a lease or other written agreement between the PPPC and such entity, to issue such permits for seafood and gear offloading operations, and paying the established fee to either PPPC or its designee, as directed by the PPPC.

Moved by: George Hitchcock **Seconded by:** Chip Bradish **Yea:** 4 **Nay:** 0

2. **Public Comments**

Kurt Schmidt, a lobster fisherman and member of Profish, spoke about the dockage rates and handed out a sheet of goals of Profish to the Directors regarding the Commercial Dockage Rates.

Both George Hitchcock and Paul deRuyter expressed the idea that they need more time to go over this. Mr. deRuyter thanked the Profish representatives for attending and questioned the intent of some of the language in the Profish proposal.

Paul deRuyter mentioned the creation of a standing committee of two members of the Pier Corp., George Hitchcock and Lee Ash, and asked Profish to coordinate with the Board members.

David Dutra, Bernard Noones and Phil Michaud of Profish Board of Directors spoke and helped explain Profish's proposal and ideas.

There was a general discussion between the Pier Corp. Directors and the Profish representatives regarding dockage rates.

Bernard Noones disagreed with some of Profish's proposal. Mr. deRuyter stated that Profish will not dictate the rate but the Pier Corp. will.

Another discussion ensued regarding the definition of 'commercial fishermen.'

Paul deRuyter then closed the public portion of the meeting.

3. **Director's Statements**

George Hitchcock suggested looking at the ‘whole’, bigger picture and a better development plan for the Pier, i.e., buildings, transportation area, etc.

Lee Ash brought up the article in *The Banner* of last week. She will put together a letter in response.

Paul deRuyter thanked Ted Meyer, Police Chief, for being at the meeting and for Mr. McKinsey and Chief Meyer working together.

4. ***Pier Manager’s Report***

Rex McKinsey submitted a report regarding policy issues. He stated that he had a meeting with David Guertin regarding floating docks and had a discussion regarding the importance of getting the floating docks back into use by Spring.

Paul deRuyter left the meeting due to a prior commitment at 5:30 PM.

The next meeting of the Pier Corp. will be a work session on November 4th at 4:00 PM.

It was moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 PM.

Moved by: Chip Bradish

Seconded by: George Hitchcock

Yea: 4 Nay: 0

Minutes Respectively
Submitted by
Joel Glasser

Paul deRuyter, Chairman

Date