

**Provincetown Public Pier Corporation (PPPC)
Judge Welsh Hearing Room
Meeting Minutes of Thursday October 11, 2007**

Present: Len Clingham (chair), Kerry Adams, Phil Tarvers and Lee Ash

Excused Absence: George Hitchcock

Other Attendees: Rex McKinsey (Harbormaster / Pier Manager) & John Davidson (Administrative Assistant)

Meeting called to order @ 4:05 by George Hitchcock, Vice Chair

Public Statements

Kiki Harold: Will not be able to move forward with the David Flowers Pier dance due to the fee structure. They feel that the fee structure is not in line with market rates. They would like to discuss changes to the fee structure w/the board.

Kerry Adams: What do you feel is an adequate rate for the venue?

Kiki Harold: Non-Profit Event rate should be \$500 and Profit Event rate should be \$1000.

Len Clingham: Does not want to discuss this in Public Statements. Will save it for New Business later in the meeting. Anything else to add?

Kiki Harold: The pier can help with the event insurance. Would also like to be able to purchase rain insurance but cannot afford with the event insurance.

Len Clingham: Requested that they put together a proposal for the next meeting in two weeks.

Kiki Harold: Would like to stress the importance of timeliness.

Special Agenda Items

F/V Chico Jess

Francisco Vincente

David J. Farrell, Jr. Admiralty Attorney

David J. Farrell, Jr.: Explained his handling of the F/V Miss China in Hyannis. Explained that captain Vincente can sell permits separately but no one wants to buy the boat. Is here to assist in this very complex situation. Is there any interest in using the boat for the town's heritage?

Kerry Adams: Would love to but we have no place to put it. This will require a lot of money.

Francisco Vincente: Gave brief history of Chico Jess.

Len Clingham: Asked if the gov was still buying boats.

David J. Farrell, Jr.: They are in contact with Delahunt's office.

Lee Ash: There are other boats in arrears, some more than others. Her biggest question or worry is safety. (sinking).

Francisco Vincente: The vessel is safe.

Lee Ash: is there any fuel on board?

Francisco Vincente: 30 to 40 gallons of diesel.

Phil Tarvers: What value do you put on this boat?

Francisco Vincente: Broker put price of \$120K. Told broker to lower it to \$99K.

Kerry Adams: The 18 day permit, if taken out of the deal, what would the boat be worth?

Francisco Vincente: Shit, too many boats for sale.

Kerry Adams: Would you sell the license only?

Francisco Vincente: Yes

David J. Farrell, Jr.: If someone were to buy the boat w/permits they would transfer the permits and they would get rid if the boat.

Rex McKinsey: Our concern is that the costs of dealing with the boat should something happen is not something anybody wants.

Kerry Adams: Do you have insurance on boat?

Francisco Vincente: No

Kerry Adams: Have you approached anyone interested in acquiring the boat as a museum piece?

Francisco Vincente: There was interest but no money. If he sells the permits he would be glad to donate the boat to the town.

Phil Tarvers: Does not think the permits are worth that much. Does the PPPC have any interest in this boat?

Kerry Adams: Thinks the town is interested.

Rex McKinsey: The historical district is interested.

Discussion

Kerry Adams: Would you be willing to donate the boat personally?

David J. Farrell, Jr.: Francisco can do the donation of the boat before the sale of the permits.

Kerry Adams: Can we ask the press to write a story about the boat being available for donation?

David J. Farrell, Jr.: Recognize the situation and will work directly with Francisco Vincente to dispose of the boat.

Len Clingham: It is the liability of the boat on the pier and not the money.

Review Minutes

A motion was made to accept the minutes of 9/27/07 as written.

Motion: Lee Ash **Second:** Kerry Adams

Y: 3 **N:** 0 **A:** 1

Motion Passes

Directors Statements

Lee Ash: The PPPC Mission Statement includes supporting the commercial fisherman. Anything that we can do to assist is imperative. Hopes that in the future that our subtenants realize that any new boat that comes to be on a west float needs to notify the harbormaster as per the PPPC Pier regulations. Requested that we talk about moorings at the next meeting.

Kerry Adams: Dismayed about the way the article in the Banner was written in regards to the barge purchase.

Phil Tarvers: What happened to the pilings on the courtesy float?

Rex Mckinsey: Temporary pilings were used to replace those that snapped because a grant is coming to replace them.

Len Clingham: Apologized for missing the last meeting. Tired of all of the misinformation being spread around town from an employee of the PPPC to his wife who happens to be the chair of the BoS.

Treasurers Report

Presented by Kerry Adams

Questions on the report will be addressed at the next meeting.

Pier Managers Report

Annual Hearing

A motion was made to hold the PPPC's annual public hearing on 11/8/07.

Motion: Lee Ash **Second:** Phil Tarvers

Y: 4 **N:** 0

Motion Passes

A motion was made to send a letter to the Board of Selectmen requesting a joint meeting with the PPPC Board.

Motion: Kerry Adams **Second:** Lee Ash

Y: 4 **N:** 0

Motion Passes

Look into use of courtesy float by charter boats.

Send email stating that because of holiday schedules the PPPC Public Meetings for December would be the 1st and 3rd.

A motion was made to adjourn @ 6:00

Motion: Kerry Adams **Second:** Phil Tarvers

Y: 4 **N:** 0

Motion Passes

Minutes Respectively
Submitted by

John Davidson
PPPC Administrative Assistant

Len Clingham, Chair

Date