

ESCANABA HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
APRIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2014: 5:00 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Henry Cipolla, Todd Hurley, Dave Pinozek

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Ammel, Robert Buckbee

OTHERS PRESENT: Larry Gravatt, Harbor Master
Cheryl Syers, Recreation Office Assistant

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

APPROVAL/CORRECTION(S) TO: Meeting minutes of January 14, 2014. Motion to approve as written by Dave Pinozek, seconded by Todd Hurley, unanimous.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

None

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **35' Dock Float Repairs.** Mr. Gravatt informed the board the marina incurred costs of \$1,300 for steel, \$400 for bolts, and \$100 for paint in preparation for attaching the new floats to the 35' docks. He advised while this is a big project, he anticipates having all the repairs made prior to the marina open date of May 5, 2014.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Marina Fest.** Mr. Gravatt advised the City Council approved the date of July 12, 2014 for Marina Fest. He informed he would seek the DDA's assistance with funding this event. Entertainment is planned with 4-5 bands performing two hours each, a beer tent, and food vendors. Ms. Syers suggested forming a Marina Fest committee for the planning of this event.

2. **Harbor Operations 2014.** Mr. Gravatt informed he and the staff will be building some wooden tables, chairs, and umbrellas for the marina patios.

PLM will again be providing weed management services for the Escanaba Municipal Marina this season. Board members discussed the monthly rental cost of the weed harvester. The board tabled further discussion of the matter to the next meeting.

Mr. Gravatt discussed the Marina budget with the board. The board informed it would be beneficial to have City Controller Mike Dewar to attend a meeting and offer a more detailed insight and answer any questions.

3. **Future Improvements.** Mr. Gravatt informed the current Harbor Master office hot water boiler system requires the building to be heated year around and also heat 300 gallons of hot water daily for eight showers. He informed a more efficient system is needed and no parts are available for the current boiler system should it become inoperable. A new system would cost approximately \$1,500 with an additional \$560 for labor and permitting. The marina would also save the cost of the State boiler inspection fee. Motion by Todd Hurley to purchase and install a more efficient heating system, seconded by Dave Pinozek, unanimous.

MISCELLANEOUS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMITTEE MEMBER/STAFF COMMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Dave Pinozek motioned for adjournment, seconded by Todd Hurley. The motion carried unanimously at 5:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Gravatt, Harbor Master

Henry Cipolla, Acting Chairperson

Date