



**ESCANABA HARBOR ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA
October 13, 2015, at 5:00 pm**

Members:
Mark Ammel, Chairman
Henry Cipolla, Board Member
Robert Buckbee, Board Member
David Pinozek Jr., Board Member
Todd Hurley, Board Member

Larry Gravatt, Harbor Master
Brooks Bougie, Recreation Assistant
James V. O'Toole, City Manager
Patricia Baribeau, Council Liaison

Meeting Location: City Hall, Council Room, 410 Ludington Street, Escanaba, MI 49829

Regular Harbor Advisory Board
Tuesday, October 13, 2015 - 5:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL/CORRECTION(S) TO MINUTES: Regular Meeting Minutes of August 11, 2015

APPROVAL/ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Sale of Weed Harvester.** Administration will give an update on the sale of the weed harvester.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Marina Financials for the year (end of season).** Administration will discuss the financials for the marina for the year.
2. **Harbor Meeting Schedule.** The board needs to approve the 2016 meeting dates.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

COMMITTEE/STAFF COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

The City of Escanaba will provide all necessary, reasonable aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon five days notice to the City of Escanaba. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the City of Escanaba by writing or calling at (906) 786-9402.

Respectfully Submitted,

Larry Gravatt, Harbor Master
City of Escanaba

ESCANABA HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AUGUST MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2015: 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
Patricia Baribeau, City Council Liaison

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

APPROVAL/CORRECTION(S) TO: Meeting minutes of April 14, 2015. Motion to approve as written by Henry Cipolla, seconded by Todd Hurley, unanimous.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

New Business: 2. Marina Seasonal and Transient Statistics.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Weed Harvester. Mr. Gravatt advised the board the weed management within the harbor has been successful through the use of herbicide application for the past several years. He stated he also feels future weed management can be controlled by the same method and seeks the boards input with regard to disposition of the weed harvester. Motion by Todd Hurley to approve the City to sell the weed harvester, seconded by Henry Cipolla, unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Marina Fest Update. Mr. Gravatt informed the final cost of the Marina Fest Event for 2015 was \$2,600 of which \$2,350 was covered through donations and \$250 from the marina fund. The event was well attended and food vendors sold out of product. Mr. Gravatt advised Bell's Brewery may provide a sponsorship for next year's event.

2. Marina Seasonal and Transient Statistics. Mr. Gravatt informed the marina has currently received 15 more transient boats than in 2014. Seasonal boats have been consistent with 85 in 2013; 83 in 2014; and 86 in 2015.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Gravatt stated the 35' docks will be removed from the harbor again this fall.

A portion of the walkway in front of the Yacht Club will be replaced in 2016 at the marina's expense.

Board member Todd Hurley indicated there is an ongoing problem with boat wakes and jet skis within the harbor. After some discussion, Mr. Gravatt recommended the sheriff's boat be moved to slip #16 at the end of Pier 1. Mr. Gravatt will also meet with Sheriff Oswald to see if the harbor can be policed, especially during weekends, or if Mr. Oswald has any suggestions to deal with these issues.

Mr. Hurley also indicated there is a safety issue with paddle boards in the harbor area. Mr. Gravatt advised he has spoken with the owners of Mish Watersports and he has requested paddle boards to stay at least 30' west of Pier 3 and follow the shoreline to the harbor mouth without blocking the entrance for boaters.

Mr. Gravatt informed the board there will be an "all" boards and commissions meeting on October 6, 2015 to discuss the creation of a public participation planning process.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMITTEE MEMBER/STAFF COMMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Gravatt informed the board that Cheryl Syers has accepted another position within the City Utility Department after 9 years of service to the Recreation Department. He thanked her for her service to the marina.

ADJOURNMENT

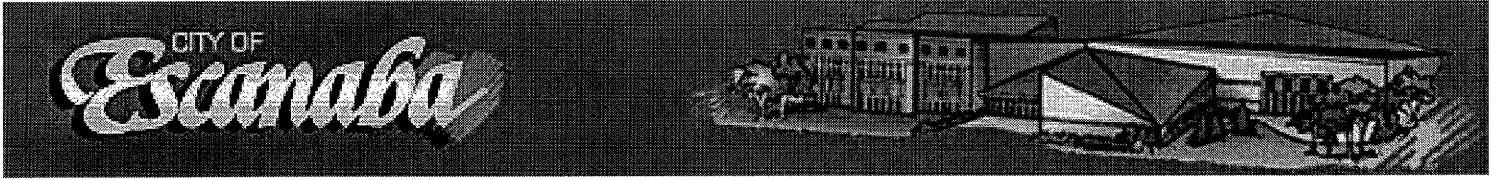
Henry Cipolla motioned for adjournment, seconded by Todd Hurley. The motion carried unanimously at 5:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Gravatt, Harbor Master

Dave Pinozek, Chairperson

Date



**NOTICE OF REGULAR PUBLIC MEETINGS
HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the regular meetings of the Harbor Advisory Committee are scheduled for 5:00 p.m. in Room C101, the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 410 Ludington Street, in the City of Escanaba, MI, on the following dates as listed below:

**HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS – 2016
Room C101, City Hall, 5:00 p.m.**

January 12, 2016
February 9, 2016
March 1, 2016
April 12, 2016
May 10, 2016
June 14, 2016
July 12, 2016
August 9, 2016
September 13, 2016
October 11, 2016
November 1, 2016
December 13, 2016

Public notice will be given regarding any changes in the above meeting dates. Minutes of the Harbor Advisory Committee Meetings are available at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 410 Ludington Street. Phone (906) 786-1194.

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