

City of Alpena Harbor Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes 4:30 p.m., Thursday, May 5, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 4:31 p.m.

Committee members present: Ed Retherford, Al Moe, Wayne Lewis, Steve Wilson, Don LaBarre, Jason Luther

Committee members absent: Tanner Kostelic, Jeremy Winterstein

Staff present: Shannon Smolinski, Steve Shultz, Anne Gentry, Cassie Stone

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Wilson, Second by Lewis, Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –April 7, 2022 – Motion by Wilson, Second by Moe, Motion carried.

BUSINESS:

1. Election of Officers – Committee

Motion made by Lewis, Second by Luther to nominate Don LaBarre for Chair of the board, Motion carried. Motion made by Wilson, Second by Lewis to nominate Tanner Kostelic as Vice-Chair of the board.

2. Operations Update – Shannon

- Resolution for Master Plan – Shannon stated that a resolution of support from the Harbor Advisory Committee is needed to publish the Master Plan officially. Motion made by Moe to approve resolution 2022-12, Second by Retherford.
- Open Discussion – Shannon stated there are two new marina techs currently working at the marina that are both ambitious and go getters.

Both are doing a great job and are a great addition to the marina. Hopefully the water should be turned on tomorrow. Thunder Bay Electric has been working on getting 50 amp services to some of the docks. Been checking the dock boxes, going to start power washing docks as well as doing some ground cleaning and grass cutting next week. The shed is getting removed and hoping to put a picnic table there.

HARBORMASTER'S REPORT:

Harbormaster's Spring Meeting– Shannon stated that today she attended the annual Harbormaster meeting with Waterways. Instead of emailing grants to waterways they will need to go through the DNR grant site. Following the passing of Paul Peterson we will have a new grant administrator next year. Shannon stated she is short dockhands if anyone knows someone 16 and older.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Don Gilmet questioned if there will be any discounted rates during the Brown Trout. Shannon stated the only rate that was talked about discounting was the launch fees for the week as of today but she is going to invite the Brown Trout people to come to the next meeting to discuss the festival.

MEMBERS COMMENT: Ed Retherford stated that boaters were not going to fill out the boat launch permit paperwork the day of tournaments when they are in line to launch their boat. Shannon stated that passes will be issued to put in vehicles. Another question brought up was why don't we charge the Brown Trout \$500.00 for the extra water that's used in the fish cleaning station during the tournament. Shannon stated they get charged \$75.00 to cover DPW'S time but it could be open for discussion to up the fees for the water usage. It won't be anything that can be done this year because the Brown Trout already received their permit. LaBarre asked if there was anymore information on doing a marina pride project. Shannon was hoping to have one going for this spring but she has been overloaded and didn't have time to get something organized but suggested if any of the members wanted to organize a project it would be greatly appreciated. Wilson asked what was decided on the keys to the bathrooms. Shannon stated the

locks have been changed and she will be sending out an email to ask if you would like card access or code access. Moe stated that the cruise ship coming into town yesterday went over very well and is great for our community. There are seven more visits to Alpena this year from cruise ships.

STAFF COMMENT: None

NEXT MEETING: Set for June 2, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Moe, Second by Lewis. Motion carried.