

**PIERS, HARBORS, AND LAKEFRONT COMMITTEE MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 5:00 PM
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Committee Members: Chairperson Joan Yunker, Alderpersons: Shari Straube, Ken Howell, Rich Hedlund, and Tim Dunn

Chairperson Yunker called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Yunker, Howell, Hedlund, and Dunn

Absent: Straube

Comments from the public limited to 5 minutes, limited to items on this agenda

None

Harbormaster Report

Harbormaster Russell addressed the committee regarding several items that he has been working on. He noted that the Viply app will be going live for the 2021 beach season. He added that the deadline for signed contracts for buoys and slips to be received has passed. He explained that he will be contacting individuals to work on filling those empty slots. He noted that he has been working on implementing certain procedures to help identify waitlist applicants wishes for slip/buoy placements. This would alleviate multiple phone calls trying to obtain specific location from those wishing to be on the waitlist.

Straube joined the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

He added that he would like to update forms for this and have them uploaded to the website as well.

Motion by Hedlund to have this item come back before the committee for further discussion, second by Howell. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding the approval of the March 9, 2021 Piers, Harbors, and Lakefront Committee minutes as prepared and distributed

Motion by Howell to approve, second by Hedlund. No discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding the CD3 Boat Cleaning Machine

Bob Morava addressed the Committee on behalf of the Geneva Lake Environmental Agency. He noted that the machine would aid in cleaning and education of bot cleaning. This is a portal unit that would be used to vacuum the outside of the boat before and after launching. It can also vacuum out the live wells on boats. This would help boaters to, not only understand the invasive species that could be detrimental to the lake, but would also help abate them. He added that the battery life span of about seven years. The costs associated with these machines will start with the municipalities, but that the Geneva Lake Conservancy has received grants to help pay for these machines. Other environmental agencies have also come forward with additional funds. The machine has been ordered and is set to arrive in late May/early June of 2021. The Geneva Lake Environmental Agency will be facilitating the overseeing this machine. They will also encourage boaters to use the machine and take that opportunity to educate. Any water that is taken off any boat will be held and will be disposed of outside of the watershed; he added that this could be done by a waste management company.

He is asking for the committee of the approval and is looking for a good location to have this machine on a traveling basis. He added that the education of this machine would be targeted more so to pleasure boaters versus anglers; the data has shown that anglers are very in tune with the clean waters initiatives already. This also wouldn't cost the boaters anything to use.

Hedlund noted that he would be disappointed if this was not approved.

Howell noted that he would like Mr. Morava to research with City staff, on where this machine would be placed and come back at the next month's meeting for consideration. No action taken.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding possibly combining Lagoon Boat Slips 31 and 32 into one slip

Yunker noted that these slips are very tight and it's hard to get a boat in/out. Habormaster Russell noted that these slips have not been leased in quite some time. He noted that these could be combined for parallel tie up to the pier, ask the Lake Geneva Boat Line about leasing them for the business or turning them in to resident, jet ski only. He added that he would like to see how it looks when the lagoon is full with boats and would like to study the layout.

Motion by Howell to continue until the May 2021 meeting for further research, second by Straube. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

Motion by Hedlund to adjourn, second by Straube. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.