

**PIERS, HARBORS, AND LAKEFRONT COMMITTEE MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023, 5:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Committee Members: Chairperson Joan Yunker, Alderpersons: Shari Straube, Ken Howell, Peg Esposito, and Tim Dunn

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

Roll Call

Present: Yunker, Howell, Esposito, and Dunn.

Absent: Straube (excused)

Comments from the public limited to 5 minutes, limited to items on this agenda. None

Approval of the March 14, 2023, Piers, Harbors, and Lakefront Committee minutes as prepared and distributed. Motion by Howell to approve. Seconded by Dunn. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

Harbormaster Report. Harbormaster Steve Russell reviewed the information submitted in the meeting packet. He also outlined a list of all the damage the City's piers have experienced since the beginning of the season. Russell also provided a status on the occupancy rates for the City's buoys and slips.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding Update on Geneva Lake Level Corp. Dam repair and request to have Lagoon piers and slips removed. Howell so moved to suspend the rules and allow Larry Larkin from the Geneva Lake Level Corp (GLLC) to address the committee. Esposito seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Larkin of the GLLC addressed the committee and provided an overview of the project as well as a timeline for completing plans, securing required State permits, and securing bids. Larkin stated that bids received should be opened sometime in early August of this year. GLLC anticipates that the actual work will start in October with a completion sometime in late November. The topic of removing the existing lagoon piers and slips was discussed. The Harbormaster stated a formal request to remove the lagoon slips for the duration of the project (and the future of the lagoon slips after the project) will be addressed at a future Piers & Harbor meeting.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding East side of Riviera Beach – Geneva Lake Environmental Agency request. Addition of fountain or aerator to circulate lake water. Harbormaster Russell indicated that he has been contacted by the Geneva Lake Environmental Agency (GLEA) concerning the installation of aerators in the lake, near the Riviera Beach to address the issue of E.coli levels in the immediate area. Russell provided the background concerning this request and answered various questions from the committee members.

After general discussion, It was moved by Howell and seconded by Esposito that the Harbormaster research this topic further and report back at the next Piers & Harbors meeting with recommendations.

Adjournment

At 5:24 p.m. Esposito so moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Dunn. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.