

Regular Meeting of the Harbor Commission of the Borough of Atlantic Highlands was held, Tuesday, April 5, 2005 at Borough Hall, 100 First Avenue, Highlands, N.J.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the following roll call:

PRESENT: Nolan, McDonald, Eaton, Hoffmann, Frotton, Ladiana, Marchetti
ABSENT: None

Also present were Attorney Dupont, Harbor Master Bate and Mrs. Cassese

ADMINISTRATION:

Mrs. Marchetti advised this meeting is in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act by virtue of the Annual Schedule Notice of January 5, 2005. Copy of the notice has been posted on the bulletin board in the Harbor Office and Borough Hall. The notice is also on file in the Borough Clerk's office. Formal action will be taken.

Mrs. Marchetti read letter from USCG Auxiliary requesting to hold a safety check station in the Harbor on May 21, 2005. The request was granted.

Mrs. Marchetti read letter from James Passaro requesting a donation from the Harbor for the Elementary School Chance Auction on April 22, 2005. Mrs. Frotton will collect donations from commission members.

Mr. McDonald offered a motion approving minutes of Regular Meeting held 3/1/05 as recorded, seconded by Mr. Hoffmann and upon roll call was carried.

Mr. McDonald offered a motion approving minutes of Special Meeting held 3/21/05 as recorded, seconded by Mr. Hoffmann and upon roll call was carried. Mrs. Ladiana abstained.

Mr. McDonald offered a motion approving the payment of bills, seconded by Mr. Nolan.

A discussion was held on the T&M Associates bill.

Mr. McDonald offered a motion to hold the voucher in the amount of \$10,390.25 until it has been reviewed by Mr. Bate. Motion was seconded by Mr. Nolan and upon roll call was carried.

All other bills were approved upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nolan, McDonald, Eaton, Hoffmann, Frotton, Ladiana, Marchetti
NAYS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Leases:

Mr. Hoffmann advised the hot dog vendor in the Harbor has responded and will be returning this year.

Operations:

Mr. McDonald advised the decking on Pier 4 is complete.

A discussion was held on the Excursion Slip which was offered to Mr. Pituk. To date no contract or monies have been received for the slip. The Commission also agreed to advertise the both of the Excursion slips at this time.

A discussion was held on the poor condition of the Shore Casino roof.

Mr. McDonald offered to bring in a roofer to give an estimate. Since this will probably be an item to be bid, the Commission decided to have the Engineer survey the situation.

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A discussion was held on the drainage and flooding of the Ocean Club parking lot. Mr. Bate advised that some action had been taken, however he is obtaining quotes for repair.

ADVERTISING:

Mr. Nolan advised he was in the process of making corrections on the Borough web site.

Mr. Nolan presented a copy of the "Captains Guide" a publication that would devote four pages to the town and the harbor. The cost would be approximately \$2400.00. Mr. Nolan advised that the Chamber of Commerce was also interested in the project. A meeting will be held with all parties involved.

Mr. Eaton offered a motion to go ahead with the project, not to exceed \$2500.00, seconded by Mrs. Ladiana and upon roll call was carried.

Mr. Hoffmann advised that the Ocean Club would like to host a free "launching" wine and cheese party and would like to invite all customers of the marina. Discussion was held on how this could be done.

FINANCE:

Mrs. Ladiana advised the budget was introduced at the last Council Meeting, and year to date income is about the same for the month of February.

PERSONNEL:

Mrs. Frotton advised Brian Bloom has been hired full time for the year.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE: No report.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: No report.

HARBOR MASTER'S REPORT: The Harbor Master's report is on file in the Harbor Office for reference.

Mr. Bate reported the fire Department will have a drill on 4/10/05 near the Hesse property.

Mr. Nolan asked if the resurfacing of the parking lot between the Casino and the Harbor Office could be delayed as it is so costly. Mr. Bate explained that this is an on-going project and must be done.

Mrs. Marchetti asked if anyone from the public cared to address the Commission.

Chief Vasto advised the parking signs would be posted by Friday around the area of Pete's On The Bay and the Ocean Club. The Chief also advised a new Security employee had been hired.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Nolan asked if the tennis courts could be resurfaced. Mr. Bate advised this was provided for in the 2005 budget.

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Mr. Bill Weimer, of East Avenue advised the mission of the Mayor's Harbor Development Advisory Committee shall be to define a holistic, long-term vision to fully realize the assets of our waterfront, considering the multifaceted nature of the waterfront as a precious and sensitive resource; main portal to the town and its business district; central gathering place for our community and its visitors (boaters and commuters alike) source of revenue which has impact on our taxes.

At 8:20 P.M. Mr. Hoffmann offered the following resolution and moved for adoption:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Atlantic Highlands Harbor Commission is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq, and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Commissioners of the Atlantic Highlands Harbor Commission to discuss in an session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by N.J.S.A.10:4-4-12b and designated below:

Possible litigation

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Atlantic Highlands Harbor Commission assembled in public session on April 5, 2005 that it proceed into Executive Session for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above.

It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon determination of the Commissioners that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

Resolution was seconded by Mrs. Frotton and adopted upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nolan, McDonald, Eaton, Hoffmann, Frotton, Ladiana, Marchetti

NAYS: None

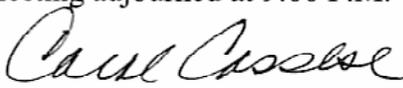
Regular meeting re-convened at 8:55 P.M.

Mr. McDonald offered a motion authorizing the Attorney to take any necessary measures to respond to the DEP letter of today, seconded by Mr. Eaton and upon roll call was carried.

It was also decided to have Mr. Mainberger inspect the Shore Casino roof and if necessary to seek the aid of an architect.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Mr. Eaton offered a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Hoffmann and upon roll call was carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.


Secretary