

Regular meeting of the Harbor Commission of the Borough of Atlantic Highlands was held Tuesday, October 13, 2009 at Borough Hall, 100 First Avenue, Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey.

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

PRESENT: Hoffmann, McDonald, Eaton, Curry, Marchetti, Doyle, Frotton

ABSENT: None

Also present were Attorney Corodemus, Administrator Hubeny, Harbor Master Bate, Assistant Harbor Master Amici, and Mrs. Cassese.

Mrs. Frotton announced that this Regular Meeting of the Atlantic Highlands Harbor Commission is called pursuant the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. Adequate notice has been provided by transmitting the Resolution of Annual Meetings to the Asbury Park Press and The Two River Times and by posting it on the bulletin boards in the Harbor Office and Borough Hall reserved for such announcements and by filing it with the Municipal Clerk on January 7, 2009. This agenda is complete to the extent known and formal action will be taken.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mrs. Frotton read letter from Captain John M. Krug commending the entire Harbor staff for the excellent services provided by the Marina.

Mrs. Frotton read letter from Captain Ron Santee of the Fisherman concerning dock power and the fact that the Angler runs their generator to run their galley and the fumes are unbearable.

A discussion was held on the amount of electric service that is supplied to the boats. Mr. Bate will have an electrician determine what services are supplies to each vessel and also check with the captains to determine what amperage is required by each boat.

Mr. Eaton advised this situation should be corrected as soon as possible considering the health problems an idling boat causes.

The Operations Committee will survey all head boats, however the Angler and the Fisherman will be addressed immediately. The Angler will be notified to stop running the generator.

Mrs. Frotton invited Fred Stodolak and Kim Spatola to address the Commission on proposed HarborFest 2010. The purpose of the HarborFest is intended to promote the wonderful town of Atlantic Highlands by drawing people to our scenic waterfront through first class entertainment, food and drink. Top New Jersey and Nationally recognized entertainment would be offered. Thousands of people would be expected to attend and money would have to be appropriated for deposits. Tickets would be sold and proceeds would be given to charity or the town. A VIP event could be held at the Casino to raise more funds. Mr. Stodolak said he would like to hold the event in July or August.

All Commissioners agreed with the concept. Mr. Stodolak will go to the Special Events Committee for their input.

ADMINISTRATION:

Mrs. Marchetti offered a motion approving minutes of the Regular Meeting held 9/08/09 as recorded, seconded by Mr. Hoffmann and upon roll call was unanimously carried.

Mr. Hoffmann offered a motion approving minutes of the Executive Meeting held 9/8/09 as recorded and that the minutes remain sealed until the need for confidentiality is no longer necessary, seconded by Mr. McDonald and upon roll call was carried.

Mr. Eaton abstained as he was excused from the session.

Mr. McDonald offered a motion approving the payment of bills, seconded by Mr. Curry and upon roll call was unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CLEAN MARINA:

Mrs. Marchetti questioned vehicles idling near the Head Boat area.

Mrs. Marchetti also advised there was a customer sanding his boat over the weekend.

Mr. Bate advised he was not using a vacuum sander. Mrs. Marchetti asked why he was not issued a warning. Discussion followed. In the future all contractors will be given a copy of the ordinance when paying their fee.

OPERATIONS:

Mr. McDonald reported on the ramp to the boardwalk. Mr. Hubeny advised the ramp is in compliance but there are two steps leading from the ramp to the boardwalk. Mr. McDonald suggested a ramp be built by Harbor personnel. All agreed.

LEASES:

Mr. Corodemus has been in contact with Seastreak and should have a draft lease by next week.

Mr. Eaton led a discussion on vessels that are stored on land year after year. Mr. Bate explained these customers do not have slips or moorings and are additional income on land. Most pay fees when due. Mr. Hoffmann suggested a boat be allowed to store for no longer than two years.

Mr. Corodemus joined the discussion and gave a dissertation on the abandoned vessel act.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Mr. Doyle reported on Capital items for next years budget.

PERSONNEL/PLANNING :

SPECIAL EVENTS FIREWORKS:

LONG TERM PLANNING:

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

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

ASSISTANT HARBOR MASTER'S REPORT:

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Frotton asked is anyone from the public cared to address the Commission. Emily Smith advised that boaters have adapted to the fuel dock but would appreciate Mr. Bate's assistance to see if an alternate nozzle could be used.

Mrs. Frotton advised the Commission would not go into Executive Session. Minutes of the Session will be kept and made available to the general public when the need for confidentiality is no longer necessary.

At 9:00 P.M. Mr. Curry offered the following resolution and moved for adoption:

RESOLUTION NO.13/09

WHEREAS, the Harbor Commission of the Borough of Atlantic Highlands is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-6etseq, 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 a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12B and designated below:

Leases and property acquisition

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Atlantic Highlands Harbor Commission assembled in public session on September 8, 2009 that it proceed into Executive Session for discussion of matters relating to the specific items listed 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. Marchetti and adopted upon the following roll call vote:

AYES: Hoffmann, McDonald, Eaton, Curry, Marchetti, Doyle, Frotton

NAYS: None

Regular meeting reconvened at 9:45PM with all Commissioners in attendance except Mr. Eaton who was excused.

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

Meeting adjourned at 45 PM.

Carol Cassese
Secretary

