



THE CITY OF WHITTIER

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**PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2021
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING
6:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

City Clerk, Naelene Matsumiya, called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm

2. **OPENING CEREMONY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Naelene Matsumiya

3. **ROLL CALL**

Ed Hedges, Mark Mitchell, Dave Goldstein, Cathy McCord, Brad VonWichman, and Steven Bender

MOTION: Brad Von Wichman made a motion to excuse Arnie Arneson from tonight's meeting.

SECOND: Dave Goldstein

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Dave Borg, Harbormaster

Naelene Matsumiya, City Clerk

Amy Pantaleon, Office Assistant

PUBLIC PRESENT

None

4. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

MOTION: Ed Hedges made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting agenda as is

SECOND: Mark Mitchell

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION: Ed Hedges made a motion to approve the January 12, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as is.

SECOND: Cathy McCord

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

6. **HARBORMASTER AND CHAIRPERSON REPORT**

Dave gave a report on the following:

- Harbor staff debt collection process
- Snow removal
- Updating transient file system
- Departmental training
- Updating camera system
- Sewage pump-out system inoperable
- Harbormaster assigned by City as Safety officer
- Council to review fee schedule
- Policy and Procedures

The commission discussed various topics with the harbormaster.

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Policy and Procedures

Item was not discussed under unfinished business but was mentioned by the Harbormaster during his report.

B. Delong Dock

Dave Borg explained that PND is still working on their grant proposal. No further information.

C. Harbor Phase 3

Dave Borg stated that grant opportunities for this project are still pending.

D. Waitlist

Commission agreed to remove item from future agendas.

E. Fee Schedule

Commission agreed to remove item from future agendas.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Moorage Fees

Dave Borg introduced the idea to the Commission of possibly lowering the monthly transient moorage rate and asked for opinions. The Commission agreed that rates are high and compared rates to other harbors in Alaska. Commission discussed the topic further. Dave reminded that since it is a fee, it would have to be brought forward to the Council so he asked for a motion. He

gave the sunset date for the rates of September 15, 2021.

MOTION: Mark Mitchell made a motion to recommend to the Council to lower the monthly transient rate.

SECOND: Brad VonWichman

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

(Clerk's note: Arnie Arneson joined at 6:45 pm)

10. **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

None

11. **COMMISSION DISCUSSION**

Commission asked about updates on the Head of the Bay project. Dave replied that there was no update at this point. Commission discussed the trash situation and the launch ramp at Smitty's Cove.

12. **CITIZENS DISCUSSION**

None

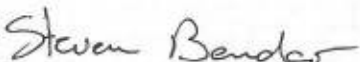
13. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm.

ATTEST:



Naelene Matsumiya
City Clerk



Steven Bender
Commission Chairperson