

Monthly Board Meeting April 20, 2023

Conneaut Port Authority
929 Broad Street
Conneaut, Ohio 44030
4-20-23

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman George Peterson

Board Members Present: George Peterson, Bill Kennedy, Bill Kline, Tom Perkoski, Aaron Joslin

Absent: Patrick Arcaro

Staff: Babs Legeza, Denver Spieldenner, Terri Trisket, Paul Gauvin

Others in attendance: Tony DiVenere, Michael Bartone-Oasis Marinas, Terry Mosio- Conneaut City Council

Minutes: Disposal of previous minutes-Motion to accept minutes from the March Board Meeting

Motion: Bill Kline; second: Tom Perkoski

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried

Correspondence:

USACE water level reports that by June the lake will be 2" lower than it was in June of last year.

CDC invitation to their annual meeting on May 18th at 4:00 pm

Business Expo hosted by the Conneaut Chamber of Commerce will be Tuesday 4/25 at 2pm.

Grab and Go luncheon hosted by the Ashtabula Visitors Bureau will be on Monday May 1.

Congratulations card from the CCVB on our award of Marina of the Year.

Audience Participation:

None

Maintenance update:

CONNEAUT PORT AUTHORITY

MAINTENANCE REPORT

APRIL 20,2023

DOCK ASSESSMENT:

- F-dock truss frames are replaced for the main walkway.
- Lagoon dock are all set for the start of the season.
- PCM is all set for the opening of the season.
- All of the jet ski docks are in.

- Power is on in both the Lagoon and in the PCM.
- The water will be turned on at the end of April due to the weather.

VEHICLES:

- All the vehicles are in good working order.

MISC:

- We started to clean up the sandbar.
- Work on three quotes for the Breakwall Barbecue heating and cooling.
- Working on nets for the pickleball courts.

SINCERELY,

Paul Gauvin

Maintenance Crew Supervisor

Dock report: Tony DiVenere & Mike Bartone

We have 222 signed contracts which value \$380,050, 72.8% of our revenue goal

8 contracts outstanding

Boaters lounge and snack shack are just waiting for the finishing touches. The Snack Shack will be ready for inspection next week.

Fuel Dock- fuel was delivered today and line tests are planning to take place next week. Plan to open for business the first week of May.

Clean up and preparations are underway

Financial reports: Babs Legeza

New reports from UAN were discussed and they appear to be useful for the board meeting purposes.

Motion to accept the amended appropriations and resources as written (see attached report)

Motion: Aaron Joslin ; second: Bill Kennedy

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried

Motion to accept Treasurer's reports as written

Motion: Bill Kline ; second: Tom Perkoski

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried

Motion to ratify the payment of March's bills

Motion: Bill Kennedy; second: Bill Kline

Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried

Old Business:

CMAG: We are at 50% and fast approaching the 90% completion timeframe we will hold a public meeting in the first week of June. Checking availability at local events centers. Our Third quarter progress report and reimbursement was submitted. We should receive funds within the next 10 days.

ARPA funds: meeting with the commissioners early next week regarding funding for the Naylor Drive sewer project, if we do not get funding through ARPA we will be seeking CDBG dollars and if that does not pan out we will be looking at ARC funding for the 24 FY.

New Business:

New Lease agreement signed with the Conneaut Boat Club, George met with their new leadership on Monday.

Chris Joslin will not be continuing his lease for the sandwich cart for this season.

The Ice Machine lease has been turned over to Oasis for management

Public Relations and Advertising Committee is creating a list of who we give to annually.

Ron Rishavy will be reaching out to George and Bill regarding his lease in the coming weeks.

Grant Updates- NFWF preapplication submitted last week asking \$250,000 with match made up of mostly in-kind hours and discounts and applications for grant funding. We should know by the end of May if our application has been invited to full proposal stage. The application would be due June 28th.

Kubota hometown proud- submitted for improvements to Dean Ave Park \$100,000 no match. Awards announced in July.

I am exploring two more grant possibilities: The Boater Infrastructure Grant, due July 1 for the new marina, requires a 50% match. May offset costs for the New Marina

Nature Works grant, due June 1, may be a possibility to secure funding for new restrooms for the marina

It was suggested that we explore the CDC and Morrison Foundation for possible local grant dollars.

Cameras: Terry Mosio asked if the cameras are monitored by the Police department and while they are currently not we may partner with the city on seeking Homeland Security funding to upgrade the cameras moving forward.

Motion to excuse Patrick Arcaro
Motion: Bill Kline; Second: Bill Kennedy
Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none
Motion Carried

Executive Session: Motion to move to executive session for discussion regarding a legal dispute involving the Port Authority that is the subject of pending or imminent court action.

Motion made at 7:02 pm by: Bill Kline Second: Bill Kennedy

Roll Call Vote
George Peterson: Yes
Bill Kennedy: yes
Bill Kline: yes
Tom Perkoski: Yes
Aaron Joslin: Yes

Patrick Arcaro: absent
Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstentions:0
Motion carried

Motion made to exit executive session at 7:25by Aaron Joslin; Second: Bill Kennedy

Roll Call Vote
George Peterson: Yes
Bill Kennedy: yes
Bill Kline: yes
Tom Perkoski: Yes
Aaron Joslin: Yes

Patrick Arcaro: absent
Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstentions:0
Motion carried

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Motion carried

Prior to adjournment chairman Peterson asked for any other items.

It was noted that Marina Drive looks great. Paul informed the board that the city graded the road and brought in asphalt grindings.

Terri brought forth the suggestion that due to a change in the payroll accounting system it would be beneficial to change the board compensation from quarterly payments to monthly payments. (Quarterly payments would be divided by 3 and paid monthly).

Motion to change board compensation to monthly payments in place of quarterly payments for ease of payroll withholding reporting.

Motion: Bill Kennedy; second: George Peterson
Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none
Motion Carried

Motion to Adjourn made at 7:35 PM

Motion: Bill Kline; second: Tom Perkoski
Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none
Motion Carried

Motions:

23-21 Motion to accept minutes from the March Board Meeting

Motion: Bill Kline; second: Tom Perkoski Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none
Motion Carried

23-22 Motion to accept the amended appropriations and resources as written (see attached report)

Motion: Aaron Joslin ; second: Bill Kennedy Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none
Motion Carried

23-23 Motion to accept Treasurer's reports as written

Motion: Bill Kline ; second: Tom Perkoski Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none
Motion Carried

23-24 Motion to ratify the payment of March's bills

Motion: Bill Kennedy; second: Bill Kline Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none
Motion Carried

23-25 Motion to excuse Patrick Arcaro

Motion: Bill Kline; Second: Bill Kennedy Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none
Motion Carried

23-26 Motion made to move to executive session at 7:02pm for discussion regarding a legal dispute involving the Port Authority that is the subject of pending or imminent court action.

Motion: Bill Kline; Second: Bill Kennedy

Roll Call Vote George Peterson: Yes, Bill Kennedy: yes, Bill Kline: yes, Tom Perkoski: Yes, Aaron Joslin: Yes, Patrick Arcaro: absent

Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstentions:0

Motion carried

23-27 Motion made to exit executive session at 7:25

Motion: Aaron Joslin; Second: Bill Kennedy

Roll Call Vote George Peterson: Yes, Bill Kennedy: yes, Bill Kline: yes, Tom Perkoski: Yes, Aaron Joslin: Yes, Patrick Arcaro: absent

Yes: 5; No: 0; Abstentions:0

Motion carried

23-28 Motion to change board compensation to monthly payments in place of quarterly payments for ease of payroll withholding reporting.

Motion: Bill Kennedy; second: George Peterson Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried

Motion to Adjourn made at 7:35 PM

Motion: Bill Kline; second: Tom Perkoski Vote: Yes-All; No:-none; Abstentions-none

Motion Carried