



MINUTES
THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS
DOUGLAS HARBOR AUTHORITY
Point Pleasant Marina
201 Washington, Douglas, MI 49406
Tuesday, September 21, 2021 – 5:30 P.M.

1. **Call to Order:** By Chair (5:35 p.m.)
2. **Roll Call:** Donovan (Phone), LaBombard, Lion, Naumann, VanLoon Absent: Hurley, Pattison
Also Present: Deputy Clerk Howell
3. **Consent Calendar:**
 - A. September 21, 2021 Meeting Agenda
 - B. August 17, 2021 Meeting Minutes: VanLoon noted that where it says , “it was agreed to charge \$1800 per boat slip,” it should be clarified by including that there was a discussion of pricing from other local marinas that precipitated the \$1800 price and we didn’t go higher than that because of the anticipated construction that is going to take place next summer.
Motion by Lion, with support from Naumann, to approve the consent calendar as amended. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
4. **Approval of Invoices:** No invoices.
5. **Public Communications:**
 - A. Verbal (Limit of three (3) minutes on agenda items only): None.
 - B. Written Communications
 - i. Frank Ay
6. **Unfinished Business:**
 - A. Parks
 - i. Point Pleasant
 - a. Marina Management for Calendar Year 2022: After going over the grant proposal process for the purchase of Point Pleasant, it was learned that the lottery system has to be open to everybody, not exclusively Douglas residents, as previously recommended by this Authority. It was agreed to keep the lottery system, but change it to include everyone. There was also discussion regarding how often to hold the lottery, how long lottery winners would be able to hold their slip, and how to keep some consistency for boat owners.
Motion by Lion, with support from Naumann, to have a lottery this year for the 14 open slips and each following year a lottery for the slips that have been vacated, with existing slip owners able to renew should they want to. Roll call vote: Lion – Yes; VanLoon, Naumann, LaBombard, Donovan – No. Motion fails.

Motion by LaBombard, with support from Donovan, to hold a lottery for 13 open slips and pricing for the next two seasons, 2022 and 2023, with a slip reserved for the City of Douglas’s use. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
 - B. Fee Schedule Recommendations for FY 22-23: The revenues that are currently brought in don’t cover the operating costs. The rates have been static for quite a while. There was discussion regarding approaching Chief Kent about more enforcement at the launches in order to catch people who are not paying, look into having Schultz Park staffed or a kiosk there for people to purchase daily or seasonal passes, and a TIF capture of properties along the waterfront in order to use the money for aquatic weed treatments.

Motion by Donovan, with support from Lion, to recommend to City Council to increase the fee schedule to \$10 daily, \$75 non-resident for a season pass, \$25 resident season pass. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

7. New Business:

- A. Schedule Change with Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority: A request was made from Saugatuck City Manager Heise to change the KLHA meeting time to 5:30 and DHA to 7:00 to more accommodate his schedule. It was decided to have this be a part of future discussion for setting the schedule for 2022.
- B. Harbor Master Volunteer for Calendar Year 2022: It was agreed that someone needs to be monitoring Point Pleasant on a part-time, regular basis. LaBombard will talk to Donovan to come up with a job description and advertise it to the public. If no one comes forward, Donovan is willing to do it again.
- C. Sergeant Wagner's Q&A: It was agreed to table this until the next meeting, giving Authority members time to digest all the information.

8. Reports:

- A. Authority Members: LaBombard reported that the end of October is when the buoys will come out, so the City will schedule that. The Authority's recommendation for the lottery system will be taken to City Council and, after that, it will be advertised.
- B. Staff: No comments.

9. Public Communications: (Limit of 3 minutes on general business of the City): No comments.

10. Authority Member Comments: Lion commented that there should be a discussion regarding finger docks at Wades Bayou, perhaps at a special meeting in December so that it can be included in the City budget for 2022. Donovan added that the four houseboats are now docked in Saugatuck and are no longer at Union Street boat launch.

11. Adjournment: Motion by Lion, with support from Naumann to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. 7:00 p.m.