

Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

January 13, 2015
899 Morrison Drive
Charleston, SC 29402

Board members present were:

Mr. David Galloway, Chairman
Mr. Henry Hay
Mr. Billy Lempesis
Capt. Whit Smith (for Capt. Thornton)

Excused absence was noted for:

Mr. Ken Riley
Mr. John Hassell
Capt. Chris Thornton

Staff and others present were:

CDR Heath Hartley, USCG
Capt. Whit Smith, Harbor Pilot
Capt. John Cameron, Harbor Pilot
Mrs. Kitty Cox, LLR Administrator
Ms. Pam Zaresk, Maritime Assoc.
Mr. Denver Merrill
Mrs. Julia Bennett, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Mrs. Noreen Milligan, Secretary

The Commissioners of Pilotage for the Port of Charleston met Tuesday, January 13, 2015, at the Maritime Association Office, 899 Morrison Drive, in Charleston, South Carolina. Whereas, proper notice of date, time, place and agenda information having been properly provide to the **Charleston Post and Courier** and proper notice also having been posted at the Maritime Association Office 24 hours prior to the time scheduled for the meeting and quorum having been noted as present, Chairman Galloway called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. All votes referenced herein were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Chairman Galloway asked the members to read the draft of minutes taken during the November 19th meeting. **Motion:** Commissioner Hay moved to accept the minutes. Commissioner Lempesis seconded the motion. **The motion passed.** Next, the Finance Report showed that checks written since the last meeting totaled \$2,603.25 and there were no deposits with all bills being paid, the Commission had \$2,341.26 on hand. **Motion:** Commissioner Hay moved to accept the Finance Report. Commissioner Lempesis seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**

Chairman Galloway asked for public comment. There was none.

Under Old Business, the Coast Guard gave their report. CDR Hartley said that Capt. Rodriquez had been transferred and that the new Commander would be arriving in the spring or summer.

Mrs. Cox gave the LLR report. There were three physicals for December and 4 for January. Ms. Holly Pisarik is no longer the director of LLR. Ms. Richele Taylor is the Interim Director. She reminded everyone to be aware of any security problems. She noted again that LLR is prepared to help with the drafting of regulations for any needs that the Commission has and said the NOD is good for 12 months.

Capt. Cameron said that there is progress with the Right Whale speed issue. He will have an update for the next meeting.

Commissioner Hassell was not in attendance to give a report on the Savannah River Commission.

A proposal has been sent to Mr. Waring on the pilot physical regulations. The pilots would like to continue to have annual physicals. Capt. Cameron will have an update for the next meeting.

Brian Cisco, George Campsen IV and Jason Teal accepted the Pilot Apprenticeships and are all doing great.

Under new business the pilots submitted the list of licensed harbor pilots. There are 19 and 3 apprentices. The pilots gave the 2014 Summary Report. There were 2,209 arrivals, 125 shifts, 4,537 moves and 239 pilot jobs.

The John's Island Air Station will remain open through this year.

There being no further business to bring before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen K. Milligan
Executive Secretary

David Galloway
Chairman