Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

October 12, 2021 Charleston Branch Pilots Association Office 6 Concord Street Charleston, South Carolina 29401

Board Members Present:

Ms. Amy Riley (Chairwoman) Mr. Henry Hay III Mr. David Galloway Capt. Chris Thornton Mr. Joel Britt Mr. Kenny Riley

Excused Absences were noted for:

Mr. Darrell Johnson

Staff and Others Present:

Capt. John Cameron, Pilot Commission Consultant Capt. Whit Smith, Charleston Pilots Assoc.
Ms. Elizabeth Hills, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Ms. Laura Smith, LLR
Mr. Hardwick Stuart, LLR Advice Counsel
Lt. Chad Ray, USCG
Mr. Nick Wong, Charleston Maritime Assoc.
Ms. Owen Gregory, Secretary

The Commissioners of Pilotage for the Port of Charleston met Tuesday October 12, 2021 at the Charleston Branch Pilots Assoc. Office. Whereas, proper notice of date, time, place and agenda information having been properly provided to the Charleston Post and Courier and proper notice also having been posted on the LLR website/Pilotage 24 hours prior to the time scheduled for the meeting and a quorum having been noted as present, Chairwoman Riley called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. All votes referenced herein were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Chairwoman Riley asked the members to approve the agenda. **Motion**: Commissioner Thornton moved to accept the minutes and Commissioner Galloway seconded. **The motion passed**. Chairwoman Riley asked the Commission to approve the September 14, 2021 minutes and the September Financial Report. **Motion**: Commissioner Hay moved to accept the minutes and the financial report and Commissioner Galloway seconded. **The motion passed**.

Under old business, Lt. Chad Ray reported on behalf of the Coast Guard. Lt. Ray informed the Commission that Cutter Willow just finished a two week long self-audit and test and while inbound put Buouy 52 back on station. Regarding the Wando Range, during the first week of November, buoys will put back on station, while some will be moved for dredging. Capt. Cameron thanked the USCG regarding their attention to detail and implementation of their plan to the Aids to Navigation for the Charleston Harbor.

Ms. Smith reported for LLR. LLR is still awaiting the physical from Capt. Upton. Capt. Cisco, Capt. Walters, Capt. Teal and Capt. Ward all have physicals due in October. LLR is waiting on the ID cards to be printed.

Capt. Cameron reported that there is nothing new regarding the legislative bills at this time.

Capt. Cameron reported that there have been no incidents regarding COVID-19 with the Pilots or employees in the office.

Under New Business, Commissioner Thornton reported that Capt. Kratz, Capt. Rowe and Capt. Ward will need to be added to the November agenda regarding their advancement from Second Short Branch Pilots to Third Branch Pilots effective January 1, 2022.

There were no Commissioner comments.

There were no legal comments.

There were no public comments.

There were no announcements.

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

Respectfully submitted, Ms. Amy Riley Chairwoman

A.Owen Gregory Secretary