

Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

April 12, 2022

Charleston Branch Pilots Association Office

6 Concord Street

Charleston, South Carolina 29401

Board Members Present:

Mr. David Galloway (Chairman)

Mr. Henry Hay III

Ms. Amy Riley

Capt. Chris Thornton

Mr. Charles Brave

Excused Absences were noted for:

Mr. Joel Britt

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

Mr. Nick Wong, Charleston Maritime Assoc.

Ms. Owen Gregory, Secretary

The Commissioners of Pilotage for the Port of Charleston met April 12, 2022 at the Charleston Pilots 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, Chairman Galloway called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. All votes referenced herein were unanimous otherwise noted.

Chairman Galloway asked the members to approve the agenda. **Motion:** Commissioner Riley moved to accept the agenda and Commissioner Hay seconded. **The motion passed.** Chairman Galloway asked the Commission to approve the March 8, 2022 minutes and the March Financial Reports. **Motion:** Commissioner Riley moved to accept the minutes and the financial report and Commissioner Hay seconded. **The motion passed.**

Under old business, there was nothing to report from the Coast Guard.

Ms. Smith reported for LLR. LLR is expecting annual health forms for Capt. Dukes and Capt. Lucas are due by April 30, 2022.

Capt. Cameron reported that the apprentice bill was moving forward with an exemption to Title 54. With that being said, Title 54.15 authorizes the Pilots Commission to issue licenses to their apprentices. Regarding Rep. Gilliard's Middle School Curriculum bill, it is not likely to make it through this session.

Under Old Business, the proposed Pilotage Rate Increase based on the Consumer Price Index/Cost of Living Increase was put on Public Notice for thirty days prior to this meeting. Commissioner Hay made a motion to approve the rate increase as per the Public Notice. Commissioner Riley seconded the motion. The motion passed. The proposed rate increase for the Ports outside of Charleston was put on Public Notice for thirty days prior to this meeting. Commissioner Riley made a motion to approve the rate increase as per the Public Notice. Commissioner Thornton seconded the motion. The motion passed. Commissioner Riley made a motion to accept the rate card as written. Commissioner Thornton seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Under Commissioner comments, Charles Brave, the new ILA president introduced himself to the Commission via conference call and explained that his VP Ben Flowers would sit in his seat on the Commission. Remarks were also made about an attendance requirement for the Commissioners.

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,
Mr. David R. Galloway
Chairman

A.Owen Gregory
Secretary