

Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

November 9, 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. Joel Britt

Excused Absences were noted for:

Mr. Ben Flowers

Mr. Darrell Johnson

Staff and Others Present:

Capt. John Cameron, Pilot Commission Consultant

Ms. Elizabeth Hills, Charleston Pilots Assoc.

Mr. Hardwick Stuart, LLR Advice Counsel

Lt. Ryan Brodie, USCG

Ms. Owen Gregory, Secretary

The Commissioners of Pilotage for the Port of Charleston met November 9, 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 Thornton seconded. **The motion passed.** Chairman Galloway asked the Commission to approve the October 11, 2022 minutes and the October financial reports. **Motion:** Commissioner Riley moved to accept the minutes and the financial report and Commissioner Britt seconded. **The motion passed.**

Under old business, Lt. Brodie reported for the Coast Guard. Cutter Willow will be back November 28, 2022 to continue work on the Lower Harbor Dredge Project. Several buoys will be placed back on the Cooper. Offshore dredging will begin December 15, 2022 into the entrance channel. Buoys 7-16 will be placed off station during dredging.

Mr. Stuart reported for LLR. LLR is expecting health forms from Capt. Swan, Capt. Cisco, Capt. Teal and Capt. Rowe by November 30, 2022. Capt. Logan's health form is due by December 31, 2022.

There is no news regarding the Regulatory Review at this time.

Regarding the Right Whale Rule, NOAA's proposed amendments changing the regulations, Capt. Cameron informed the Commission that comments and concerns were submitted by the end date. Capt. Cameron also informed the Commission that NOAA did reach out to the APA about the concerns regarding channels in the ports.

Under New Business, a December meeting will take place regarding Short Branch Licenses for Capt. Rowe, Capt. Kratz and Capt. Ward. It was also announced that Capt. Walters will be replacing Capt. Smith in his position at the Charleston Pilots Association.

Under Commissioner comments, Commissioner Thornton informed the Commission that along with the Coast Guard, Pilots and Agents, that due to Hurricane Nicole, the Port would close until the storm passed.

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