

Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

August 8, 2023

Charleston Branch Pilots Association Office

6 Concord Street

Charleston, South Carolina 29401

Board Members Present:

Mr. Henry Hay (Chairman)

Ms. Amy R. Page

Mr. David Galloway

Capt. Chris Thornton

Mr. Joel Britt

Excused Absences were noted for:

Mr. Darrell Johnson

Mr. Ben Flowers

Staff and Others Present:

Capt. Crayton Walters, Charleston Pilots Association

Ms. Elizabeth Hills, Charleston Pilots Association

Ms. Laura Smith, LLR

Mr. Hardwick Stuart, LLR Counsel

Lt. James Sullivan, USCG

Ms. Owen Gregory, Secretary

The Commissioners of Pilotage for the Port of Charleston met August 8, 2023 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 Hay called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. All votes referenced herein were unanimous otherwise noted.

Commissioner Page asked the members to approve the agenda. **Motion:** Commissioner Galloway moved to accept the agenda and Commissioner Thornton seconded. **The motion passed.** Commissioner Page asked the Commission to approve the July 11, 2023 minutes and the July financial reports. **Motion:** Commissioner Galloway moved to accept the minutes and the financial report and Commissioner Thornton seconded. **The motion passed.**

Under old business, Lt. Sullivan reported for the Coast Guard. Drum Range project has been completed and Entrance Channel moves will take place during the month of August. Benis beach project will also take place this month. Aids to Navigation will be have a change on Aug. 24, with the Swim Around Charleston taking place in the Harbor.

Ms. Smith reported for LLR. Capt. Thomas' physical is due by 8/31.

Ms. Elizabeth Hills reported for Capt. Cameron regarding regulations. The Pilots have scheduled a shipping agents meeting for August 28 to review new regulations that will affect orders and payment (e.g. notice for arriving vessels, 1.5% interest). Capt. Cameron is in the process of reviewing the Policy

and Procedures Manual for updates to reflect the new regulations. He reports that there are very few changes needed so far. Regarding the safe speed guidance in the entrance channel, he will recommend new content, where there had been no policy in the manual previously.

Commissioner Galloway reported for the Personnel Committee that scoring would begin in the month of August for Applicants.

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. Henry Hay
Chairman

A.Owen Gregory
Secretary