Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

April 9, 2024 Charleston Branch Pilots Association Office 6 Concord Street Charleston, South Carolina 29401

Board Members Present:

Mr. Henry Hay (Chairman)

Mr. David Galloway

Mr. Joel Britt

Capt. Chris Thornton

Mrs. Amy W. Page

Excused Absences were noted for:

Mr. Ben Flowers

Mr. Darrell Johnson

Staff and Others Present:

Capt. John Cameron, Pilot Commission Consultant

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 April 9, 2024 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 Page called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. All votes referenced herein were unanimous otherwise noted.

Chairman Page asked the members to approve the agenda. **Motion**: Commissioner Hay moved to accept the agenda and Commissioner Galloway seconded. **The motion passed**. Chairman Page asked the Commission to approve the March 2, 2024 minutes and the March financial reports. **Motion**: Commissioner Hay moved to accept the minutes and the financial report and Commissioner Galloway seconded. **The motion passed**.

Under old business, Lt. Sullivan reported for the Coast Guard. Awaiting news on the Union Pier property and Bennetts Reach. Charleston Race Week will take place April 18-21 in the inner harbor.

Ms. Smith reported for LLR. Capt. Lucas and Capt. Dukes physicals are due 4/30.

Capt. Cameron informed the Commission that they are still waiting on the updated changes for the Right Whale Rules. There is no new news from Columbia regarding the Permitting Bill.

Commissioner Page reported for the Personnel Committee. The 3 Apprentices will begin their Apprenticeship May 1 or shortly thereafter. There is 1 applicant appealing the results. Capt. Cameron informed the Commission that the rate adjustment put forth in February, had run in the Post & Courier for the required 30 days with no commentary. Commissioner Galloway moved to accept the new Rate Card. Commissioner Hay seconded. The motion passed.

There was no New Business.

There were no Commissioner Comments.

Under legal comments, Commissioner Galloway moves to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Hay seconded. All in favor say "Aye." Everyone will be excused except for the Commission and Legal. Commissioner Galloway moves to come out of Executive Session. Commissioner Thornton seconded.

There were no public comments.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Amy W. Page Chairman

A. Owen Gregory Secretary