

Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

October 8, 2024

Charleston Branch Pilots Association Office

6 Concord Street

Charleston, South Carolina 29401

Board Members Present:

Mrs. Amy W. Page (Chairman)

Capt. Chris Thornton

Mr. David R. Galloway

Mr. Henry Hay

Excused Absences were noted for:

Mr. Joel Britt

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 October 8, 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 Thornton moved to accept the agenda and Commissioner Hay seconded. **The motion passed.** Chairman Page asked the Commission to approve the September 10, 2024 minutes and the September financial reports. **Motion:** Commissioner Hay 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. 47 Alpha and Bravo are both back on Station as of October 8, 2024. Almost all are back on station. The Swim Around Charleston will be held October 14, 2024.

Ms. Smith reported for LLR. Ms. Smith let the Commission know that Mr. Darrell Johnson, holding the Jasper County Seat, did resign from his seat on the Commission. Capt. Walters, Capt. Ward and Capt. Upton have physicals due October 31, 2024.

Capt. Cameron reported on the Regulation update. LLR forwarded the changes and it was published into the Regulatory Proposals. Until the next legislative session meets again next year, it's just a game of waiting for the proposals to the changes to be approved.

There was no New Business.

It was announced that Cpt. Thornton will be stepping down as Commissioner for The Pilots, and the Pilots have voted for Hank Coombs to take the Commissioner Seat. Just awaiting the approval from the Office of the Governor. Commissioner Galloway, Commissioner Hay and Chairman Page thanked Capt. Thornton for his time on the Commission.

There were no legal comments.

There were no Announcements.

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

