

Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

Date: May 13, 2025

Time: 5:00 PM

Location: Charleston Branch Pilots Association Office
6 Concord Street, Charleston, SC

Present:

Board Members Present:

Mr. David R. Galloway (Chairman)
Mr. Henry Hay
Mrs. Amy W. Page
Mr. Joel Britt
Mr. Derrick Holmes

Staff and Others Present:

Capt. John Cameron, Pilot Commission Consultant
Capt. Crayton Walters, Charleston Pilots Assoc.
Mrs. Elizabeth Hills, Charleston Pilots Assoc.
Ms. Laura Smith, LLR Board Executive
Mr. Hardwick Stuart, SCLLR Board Counsel
Ms. Valerie Torres, Maritime Assoc. of S.C.
Mr. Henry Coombs
Ashley Owen

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Public notice of this meeting was posted at the office of the LLR South Carolina Board of Commissioners, the Pilotage website, and the Charleston Pilots Office at, 6 Concord Street, Charleston, SC, to be provided to any requesting persons, organizations, or news media, in accordance with Section 30-8-80 of the 1978 South Carolina code as amend relation to the freedom of Information Act. A quorum is noted as present, all votes, referenced herein, or will be unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

The agenda was reviewed.

- **Motion:** Approval of the agenda, Mrs. Amy W. Page
- **Seconded by:** Mr. Henry Hay

- **Vote:** Unanimous approval

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed.

- **Motion:** Approval of the April minutes by Mr. Henry Hay

Seconded by: Mrs. Amy W. Page

- **Vote:** Unanimous approval

The financial report was also reviewed.

- **Motion:** Approval of the financial report : Mr. Henry Hay

Seconded by: Mrs. Amy W. Page

- **Vote:** Unanimous approval

Old Business:

Coast Guard Report

- No representative present; no updates.
- Discussion regarding a moving safety zone around a vessel scheduled for transport. Details on this to follow.

LLR Report (Laura)

- One pilot's physical update for John Thomas

Regulatory and Policy Updates

- No recent updates from Columbia, SC.
- Discussion on policy changes taking effect on May 23rd.
- Future policy updates will be reviewed section by section in the procedures manual.
- Updates planned to begin in July due to scheduling conflicts.

New Business

- No new Business

Commissioner's Comments

- Welcoming new Commissioner, Captain Coombs.

Legal Comments

- No updates from Wick regarding Columbia legal matters.

Public Comments

- No public attendees: no comments received.

Announcements

- Welcoming new Commissioner, Captain Coombs.
- Farewell remarks for departing for Elizabeth Hills.
- Recognition of Owen's final meeting, with Valerie Torres stepping into a full-time role.

Adjournment

With no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned.