

Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

January 12, 2016
899 Morrison Drive
Charleston, SC 29402

Board members present were:

Mr. David Galloway, Chairman
Mr. Henry Hay
Capt. Chris Thornton
Ms. Amy Riley
Mr. Billy Lempesis

Excused absences were noted for:

Mr. Ken Riley

Staff and others present were:

LT. John Downing, USCG
Capt. John Cameron, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Mrs. Kitty Cox, LLR
Mr. Denver Merrill, Maritime Assoc.
Ms. Pam Zaresk, Maritime Assoc.
Mrs. Julia Bennett, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Mrs. Noreen Milligan, Secretary

The Commissioners of Pilotage for the Port of Charleston met Tuesday January 12, 2016 at the Maritime Association Office, 899 Morrison Drive, in Charleston, South Carolina. Whereas, proper notice of date, time, place and agenda information having been properly provide to the **Charleston Post and Courier** and proper notice also having been posted at the Maritime Association Office 24 hours prior to the time scheduled for the meeting and quorum having been noted as present, Chairman Galloway called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. All votes referenced herein were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Chairman Galloway asked the members to read the draft of minutes taken during the November 10th meeting. **Motion:** Commissioner Riley moved to accept the minutes. Commissioner Hay seconded the motion. **The motion passed.** Next, the Finance Report showed that checks written since the last meeting totaled \$3,254.00 and there was one deposit with all bills being paid, the Commission had \$7,045.27 on hand. **Motion:** Commissioner Hay moved to accept the Finance Report and Commissioner Riley seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**

Chairman Galloway asked for public comment. There was no comment.

LT. Downing gave the Coast Guard report. Buoy's #37, 38, 39 have been moved back to their locations.

Mrs. Cox gave the LLR report. There is one physical for November, one for December, three for January and 4 for February. The State Ethics filing is due by March

30, 2016. The filing is done electronically. A request was made to Mr. Wick Stuart, LLR Legal Advice regarding hiring an occupation medical review doctor. Advice has been given to get an advisory opinion from the LLR Medical Board, develop more HIPAA compliant medical release form for the apprentice application and contact LLR Procurement through Al Morant about hiring a doctor with the Procurement Code. The Commission would like to be able to stay under \$2,500 limit so that the doctor can be listed as vendors. The NOD will be pre-filed for the new legislative session for January 2016. It has to be on file for 120 days. May of 2016 would be the time that the Regulations will timeout for passage. LLR Director Taylor has not contacted Mrs. Cox with any information regarding the request for the NTSB letter. She will continue to check with Director Taylor on the status of the letter. Please continue to send in information to be posted on the web site for the Commission.

There is nothing new to report on the Savannah River Commission.

Capt. Cameron submitted a new draft for the NTSB letter that was sent to Governor Haley's office in 2012. **Motion:** A motion was made to submit the new draft to Governor Haley's office by Commissioner Thornton and Commissioner Lempesis seconded it. **The motion passed.** Mrs. Cox will deliver it to LLR.

Under new business Mrs. Cox informed the Commission that Governor Haley has appointed Mr. Darrell T. Johnson III to the Commission. He is from the Jasper Maritime Community. The pilots submitted their 2015 Summary of piloted movements and vessels. In 2015 they had 2,251 arrivals, 165 shifts, 4,852 moves and 255 jobs/pilots. They also gave a list of the licensed pilots and apprentices. They have 19 licensed pilots and 3 apprentices. Mrs. Bennett relayed the passing of Mr. Johnny Henning in December. He was a dispatcher for the pilots.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen K. Milligan
Executive Secretary

David Galloway
Chairman