

Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

May 5, 2015
899 Morrison Drive
Charleston, SC 29402

Board members present were:

Mr. David Galloway, Chairman
Mr. Billy Lempesis
Capt. Chris Thornton

Excused absence was noted for:

Mr. Ken Riley
Mr. Henry Hay
Mr. John Hassell

Staff and others present were:

Capt. John Cameron, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Capt. Whit Smith, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Mrs. Kitty Cox, LLR Administrator
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, May 5, 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 April 14 meeting. **Motion:** Commissioner Lempesis moved to accept the minutes. Commissioner Thornton seconded the motion. **The motion passed.** Next, the Finance Report showed that checks written since the last meeting totaled \$1,502.00 and there was one deposit of \$4,597.00 with all bills being paid, the Commission had \$6,287.13 on hand. **Motion:** Commissioner Thornton moved to accept the Finance Report and Commissioner Lempesis seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**

Chairman Galloway asked for public comment. Ms. Zaresk informed the Commission that next Tuesday the City Council will be discussing the cruise industry under the Tour and Management plan.

There was no representation from the Coast Guard.

Mrs. Cox gave the LLR Report. There was 1 physical for the month of May and 1 for the month of June. LLR will prepare a new Notice of Drafting (NOD) on 136-030 Pilot Registration and has approved the language summited at the last meeting with a small alteration. Capt. Cameron reviewed the draft and submitted his changes to LLR draft.

The Commission read over both drafts and accepted the draft from Capt. Cameron. **Motion:** Commissioner Lempesis moved for a new Notice of Drafting for Regulations 136-030 and Commissioner Thornton seconded it. **The motion passed. Motion:** Commissioner Thornton moved to accept the language drafted by Capt. Cameron on Regulation 136-030 for approval. Commissioner Lempesis seconded it. **The motion passed.** Mrs. Cox said that LLR suggested that the Commission look at an Occupational Health Center Doctor to take over the duties vacated by Dr. Sloan's retirement. Chairman Galloway will submit a list of qualified Doctors that are familiar with maritime physical requirements at the next meeting.

There was a meeting last month on the Right Whale issue. The Advisory Team is looking at reevaluating the critical habitat for the Right Whales. There was no decision made. Capt. Cameron will have an update for the next meeting.

There was no report on the Savannah River Commission.

Under new business Capt. Cameron reported that the pilots have purchased 17 pilot portable navigational units. The apprentices are due for their 6 month review in June and the pilots will submit their report in July. The Pilot Commission's previous consultant Capt. Bob Bennett was working on a book when he passed away. His daughter finished the book on his behalf and had it published. It can be found at Barnes and Noble.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen K. Milligan
Executive Secretary

David Galloway
Chairman