

Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

August 9, 2016
899 Morrison Drive
Charleston, SC 29402

Board members present were:

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

Excused absences were noted for:

Mr. Ken Riley
Mr. Henry Hay
Mr. Darrell Johnson

Staff and others present were:

LT. John Downing, USCG
Lt. Richard Keefauver, USCG
Capt. Whit Smith, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Capt. John Cameron, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Dr. Rita Melton, LLR
Mr. Denver Merrill, Maritime Assoc.
Mrs. Julia Bennett, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Mrs. Noreen Milligan, Secretary

The Commissioners of Pilotage for the Port of Charleston met Tuesday August 9, 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 July 12th meeting. **Motion:** Commissioner Riley 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 \$3,787.52 and there were no deposits with all bills being paid, the Commission had \$11,381.78 on hand. **Motion:** Commissioner Thornton moved to accept the Finance Report and Commissioner Riley seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**

Chairman Galloway asked for public comment. There was none.

LT. Downing gave the Coast Guard report. He introduced Lt. Keefauver. He transferred from Guam. The pilots informed the Coast Guard that they have not seen any paddle boarders since the last meeting. Lt. Downing said to keep them informed

and if they are able to take video if it happens again. All ranges are being converted to LED lights. The racon on Charley buoy has been repaired

Dr. Melton gave the LLR report. There were no physical for August and 2 for September. Capt. Cameron presented a new response letter on the Fatigue Study to the Pilotage Commission that was approved by them. A copy of the letter was sent to Mr. Stuart, LLR Advice Counsel to review. He shared the letter with Ms. Darra Coleman, Office of Advice Counsel for any feedback that she may have. Mr. Stuart and Ms. Coleman feedback is still pending. The letter will be sent to the Governor's office after LLR approves it. Please continue to send information to be posted on the LLR website

There was nothing to report on the Savannah River Maritime Commission.

Capt. Cameron and Dr. Melton are still waiting for an update from LLR on the search for the new Occupational Health Doctor. Capt. Cameron will try to meet with Mr. Stuart this month.

Chairman Galloway signed a cover letter that is to be sent with the LLR approved Fatigue Study letter to the Governor's office.

Under new business Chairman Galloway will be giving up his chairman seat to Commissioner Hay starting with the September meeting.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen K. Milligan
Executive Secretary

David Galloway
Chairman