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February 19, 1996

CALL TO ORDER Buster Richardson called the regular Port Commission meeting of February 19, 1996 to order at 7:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Allen DeSousa, Clair Grifka, Tundy Rogers, Donna Chris, and Buster Richardson. There are two vacancies.

APPROVAL/MINUTES M/M by Chris, 2nd by DeSousa to approve the Minutes of the November 27, 1995 meeting. Voice vote. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL/AGENDA M/M by DeSousa 2nd. by Chris to approve the agenda. Voice Vote. Motion approved unanimously.

PORT DIRECTOR Report Greydanus submitted written report. Greydanus also reported on the six month budget review for the Dock. Greydanus also reported on the Port being established by ordinance as a department by Council.

COMMENTS OF COMMISSIONERS DeSousa none.
Rodgers none
Grifka none.
Richardson none.
Chris none.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT Tundy reported about the Council taking action on establishing the dock as a department. He also stated that he would check with the City Manager regarding establishing a sinking fund.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD None

Old BUSINESS Item A: Top ten priority list. Chris stated that she would like to develop a Seawall maintenance plan for after the seawall construction is completed. Chris also stated that she would like a safety plan developed for the dock. She commented that most of the revenue derived from the port should be dedicated to the local match.

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Chris also stated that dredging out the boat harbor should be funded.

DeSousa stated that he would like to get the new gate for the front entrance to the dock. He stated that the dock should invest in new VHF equipment. He would like to use some seawall pipe for mooring bitts along seawall. He would like to see the port paint fluorescent paint along the seawall locating the seawall ladders.

Grifka would like to expand the size of the harbor. He would like to see more floats installed for users. He would like to see more liferings and ladders along the seawall. And he would like to see a maintenance plan for the seawall.

Tundy stated that he would like to some bank stabilization in the harbor. He would like to see the Crowley building relocated to better service the dock. He would like to see the stabilization project completed.

Richardson stated that he would like to see additional lighting down the center of the dock. He would like to see additional cleats installed along seawall. He would like to see the harbor expanded. He would like to see gravel added along the fisheries section. He would like to see the damaged seawall caps removed and filled with sand and capped with gravel. He would like to see the chain link fence along the seawall be replaced.

No motions were made.

Item B: Crowley Building relocation.
Greydanus had reported that he has attempted to contact Jerry Galliart, General Manager for Crowley Marine Services about relocating their office. Greydanus was told that Jerry would be out of the office until the end of February. Greydanus said that he will contact Jerry when he gets back to work.
No action was taken.

Item C: Port Development Study

DeSousa stated that the City received a grant for \$45,000 to complete a Port Development Study but the study was never accepted by the Council. There were some typos in the document and some of the graphs were not clear. DeSousa recommended that a resolution be submitted by Rodgers to the Council to accept the study of the final draft. DeSousa would then develop clear graph of the study and Greydanus would clean up all the typos. DeSousa stated that this document is important for the future of the Port. M/M by DeSousa 2nd by Chris to recommend to Council to pass the resolution accepting the Port Development Study in its' final draft form.

Voice Vote. Motion Carried Unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Item A: Election of Officers

M/M by Chris 2nd by Rodgers to retain all the officers for another year. Richardson is Chairman, DeSousa is Vice-Chair, and Grifka is secretary. Voice Vote. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Item B: Harbor Moorage Space Allocation.

Greydanus reported that last year all the slips were sold in three hours. The Council had received complaints from people that they didn't like waiting in line so long. Greydanus explained that a Council member thought that a lottery system should be implemented. Greydanus felt that the system in place should remain on a first come first served basis. It was recommended that maybe the Port could issue these spaces one day after work so that people would not have to miss any work. After further discussion, The Commission felt that it should stay the same.

Item C: Port Rate Review

Greydanus wanted the Commission to look at increasing rates charged to moor in the harbor from \$4.00 ft. per year to \$8.00 ft. per year. Greydanus also wanted the harbor use fee increased to whatever the Commission felt was appropriate. Greydanus stated that the revenue generated from moorage is only enough to cover the installation and removal of the floats. Greydanus felt that more money needed to be

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generated for maintenance and repair of the floats and for other services provided. After much discussion on the issue, the Commission wanted to know the total annual costs to operate and maintain the harbor before making a decision.

Item D: 1996 Fisheries Review
Greydanus wanted to discuss the fisheries situation with the Commission. Greydanus was concerned with the possibility of no buyer in Bethel this year. It would have a devastating affect on the region. Concerns commissioners discussed were tender boats not getting off the dock if there is no fishing. Moorage space not being fully utilized. The loss of local jobs to the community in the plant on the tenders and fish helpers. It was felt that the community needed to work together to come up with solutions to this problem.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Rodgers 2nd by DeSousa to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m. Voice Vote. Motion carried unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 15 DAY OF April, 1996.

ATTEST:

Stuart Greydanus
Stuart Greydanus, Port Director

Buster Richardson
Buster Richardson, Chairman
Allen DeSousa Acting chair
Allen DeSousa