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MINUTES OF THE BROWN COUNTY HARBOR COMMISSION

A meeting was held on **Monday, June 10th, 2019**
at the Resource Recovery Facility, 2561 S Broadway, Green Bay, WI 54304

1) Call to Order:
The meeting was officially called to order by President Tom Klimek at 10:30 am.

2) Roll Call:

Present:	President Tom Klimek Vice President Bryan Hyska Commissioner Hank Wallace Commissioner Wes Kornowske Commissioner Mike Vizer Commissioner Ron Antonneau
Excused:	Commissioner Pete Diemer Commissioner Bernie Erickson Commissioner Tim Feldhausen
Also Present:	Dean Haen, Brown County P&RR Mark Walter, Brown County P&RR Samantha Jerome, Brown County P&RR Chad Doverspike, Brown County P&RR Troy Streckenbach, Brown County Libby Ogard, Prime Focus

3) Approval/Modification – Meeting Agenda
A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Bryan Hyska and seconded by Mike Vizer. Unanimously approved.

4) Approval/Modification – Minutes of April 8 Meeting
A motion to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2019 meeting was made by Bryan Hyska and seconded by Hank Wallace. Unanimously approved.

5) Announcements/Communications
Dean Haen mentioned that the annual Wisconsin Commercial Ports Association meeting will be taking place this year on August 15th & 16th in Manitowoc, WI. Also, the American Great Lakes Port Association will be holding its annual meeting in Green Bay, WI on Aug 7th & 8th.

6) 1st Qtr. Budget Performance Status Report
Mr. Haen announced that public charges are still down.
A motion to approve the 1st Quarter Budget Performance Status Report was made by Mike Vizer and seconded by Wes Kornowske. Unanimously approved.

7) WPS Pulliam Plant
Mr. Haen announced that the city of Green Bay and Brown County agreed to collaborate on trying to repurpose the WPS Pulliam Plant into a port operation and possibly a truck/rail intermodal facility. Representative Steffen is pursuing $1.5M in Harbor Assistance Program funds as seed money to take a look at the site's physical properties, regulatory and environmental conditions. There has been interest expressed from multiple port users for the WPS Pulliam Plant site.

8) Tallship Event Programming
Mr. Haen explained that the Tallship event will be taking place at the end of July. The Port will be sponsoring the boardwalk at the event as well as assisting PMI Entertainment with ships coming in and out of the Port, line handling and other Port-related responsibilities.

Mark Walter further explained that the Port will also have a booth with educational programming and giveaways to promote the Port. Boards will be set up along the boardwalk with Port staff next to them to answer Port-related questions and give away port logo tattoos. Staff will also be wearing eye-catching t-shirts in an attempt to draw more interest in the Port.

9) Water Levels
Mr. Haen announced that the water levels of the Great Lakes are at record highs which in turn are causing shoreline issues in Green Bay. This is causing vessels that navigate the Port to require more tug assistance. The road that was once in place to allow travel out to Cat Island has been overtopped and damaged. The Army Corps of Engineers has agreed to fix the damages, harden with riprap and raise the level of the road in an attempt to prevent future flooding.

Mr. Walter stated that Lake Ontario, Lake Eerie and Lake St. Claire have surpassed record highs and Lakes Michigan-Huron and Superior are estimated to be at record highs by the middle of June.

10) Renard Island
Mr. Haen stated that the *Renard Island End-Use Plan* is mostly complete and that the Port is currently searching for contributors willing to move forward with the plan.

11) Director's Report
Mr. Haen stated that there was nothing else to discuss.

12) Acknowledgement of Bills

A motion to acknowledge the payment of bills was made by Hank Wallace and seconded by Ron Antonneau. Unanimously approved.

13) Tonnage Report
A motion to approve the Tonnage Report was made by Bryan Hyska and seconded by Ron Antonneau. Unanimously approved.

14) Closed Session
Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e), any meeting of a governmental body may be convened in closed session for purposes of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or the conducting of other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require closed session.

A motion to go into closed session was made by Hank Wallace and seconded by Wes Kornowske. A roll call vote followed with the following Commissioners voting "aye": Tom Klimek, Bryan Hyska, Hank Wallace, Wes Kornowske, Mike Vizer and Ron Antonneau. There were no "nay" votes; the motion was passed. The purpose of the closed session was for deliberation and possible negotiations/action relating to land acquisition.

A motion was made by Hank Wallace and seconded by Wes Kornowske to return to open session. A roll call vote followed with the following Commissioners voting "aye": Tom Klimek, Bryan Hyska, Hank Wallace, Wes Kornowske, Mike Vizer and Ron Antonneau. There were no "nay" votes; the motion was passed. **No action was taken**. The Harbor Commission continued with agenda items in open session.

15) Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law
No other matters

16) Adjourn
A motion to adjourn the Harbor Commission meeting at 12:40 pm was made by Bryan Hyska and seconded by Mike Vizer. Unanimously approved.

Tom Klimek, President
Harbor Commission

Dean R. Haen, Director
Port & Resource Recovery Department