

KEYPORT HARBOR COMMISSION FEBRUARY 12, 2024 MINUTES

Prior to meeting, new members were sworn in by Borough Clerk.
Jack Straub, Greg Davis, Joseph Merla.

Meeting opened

Attendance

Present:

Jack Straub, Chairman

Greg Davis, Vice Chairman

Al Litwak

Joseph Merla

Nancy Smalling

Council Member Melissa Vecchio

Absent:

Council Member Ron Peperoni

Motion by Al Litwak to elect Nancy Smalling as Secretary

Seconded by Joseph Merla

All approved

Nancy Smalling accepted appointment providing she does not take minutes

Open items waiting for resolution:

Boat ramp kiosk - purchase order has been issued, will confirm delivery

Boat ramp seasonal fees were increased last year to \$100 for residents?

Daily rate \$20 is competitive with area, commission agreed to keep same fee structure for 2024

Dredging - we have permits (NS)

Railing repair - being settled through insurance?

MV - We don't have insurance money yet

Leaving to discretion of BA

Waterfront concessions - December resolution sent out RFPs

Kayak lockers (18)
Now yearly lottery
\$150 season resident
Gone before any avail for non res

Snapper contest
JS - possible help from recreation, KBBC
Coordinate with other organizations
AL - "excellent idea"
NS - memorial Arthur Rook, John Olsen families
Date set September 7
More likely more fish in September
This year 50 fish vs 3 year before (August)

GD - trash along waterfront
AL - trask and downed trees on beach
Cedar Street - trash, water bottles

NS - photo map to JS (I have plenty more)
Improvements to Boat ramp, transient vessel dock, dinghy dock
Problem with speeders, violating no wake zone
NJ state police marine division transient mooring at yacht club
3 years ago came to yacht club, BA & chief torres
No wake buoys disappeared over time
Sgt DiStephano Carteret office will send info
AL - all of harbor no wake zone
AL - put up map? where they launch the boats show slow speed zone
MV heard from Kim railing is custom order, ordered already have check for

53:00 open to public
John Merla - like concession contracts having input from HC
All properties funded through Green Acres, their jurisdiction
MV - can give Borough Council HC feedback
NS - recommendation on file from HC to upgrade to more bird proof trash cans
AL - end of Walnut Street can works very well to keep birds out
John Merla - HC was very powerful when it came to Sandy, '92 storm
JS - statute might have to be addressed

Dennis Fotopolous - read statute - conflicting sentence applies only to recreation

Mike Lane - there was going to be no wake sign? When pass boat ramp

AL - sign at all access points, more visual, show obstructions

AL - will bring to next meeting

Mike Lane - date to install floating piers?

Mike Lane - garbage at Beach Park in addition to trees

NS - beach cleaning with sweeper we paid a lot of money for that

Explore shared service with Union Beach? Did 2 years ago

1:09 motion to adjourn second all approve