

Minutes of Meeting

18 Sep 2013

The Pilotage Commission for the Port of Georgetown held a regularly scheduled meeting on September 18th, 2013 for the purpose of holding a Business Meeting. The meeting, held at 5:00 pm in the United Way building on Front Street in Georgetown, was duly published.

Attending Commissioners:

Lep Boyd, Chair
Clayton Bull

Edwin Jayroe
Steve Strickland

Guests

Kitty Cox, LLR
Reed Tiller
John Cameron, Lower Coastal Pilotage Commission

Michael Elmore, SCSPA
Douglas Miller

Chairman Boyd called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Pilot's Report - Pilot Edwin Jayroe gave an update on shipping, with 2 ships coming in since the last meeting (7 total to date). The Harbor Pilots are planning to reduce to 1 pilot until traffic picks up, with Reed Tiller and Douglas Miller taking leave until shipping will support the number of pilots. Inactive status would require that they obtain a physical before a return to service, ride on a ship every 5 years to keep the federal and state licenses approved, and pay the fee to register as a pilot in the year that they return to service. Reed Tiller is current to June 2014, Douglas Miller was current to May 2013.

Dredging was estimated to take 3 to 5 years to bring channels back to permit conditions, and the questions asked related to addressing hotspots of siltation first and if SPA will keep the dredging permits current.

Administrator's Report – Kitty Cox reported that physicals must be kept up to date for active pilots. The LLR website can be updated with any specific information for the Upper Coastal Commission by sending to her office. The 2 new commission seats created by the change in law would need to be filled by recommendation of the Georgetown County Legislative Delegation and appointment of the Governor.

John Cameron provided an update of activities in Charleston, including proposed midstream mooring field being on hold due to environmental concerns and spending related to the Harbor Maintenance Trust fund. The Charleston pilots have LLR issued identification cards for use in emergencies.

SCSPA Report – Michael Elmore reported that SPA was attending the New Orleans Breakbulk conference. Shipping was on schedule to meet commitments, cement was up to 438,000 Tons

No further business was brought before the Commission.

Clayton Bull moved for adjournment. This being duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Steven G. Strickland