

Portage Lake Harbor Commission

January 13th,2022

Members present: Kevin Hughes, Roger Burger, Duncan McColl, Ted Bromley, Jim Simons Frank English, Steve Brooks.

Members absent: Bob Gezon.

Meeting: Opened at 10:00am.

Minutes: of November 19th, 2021 approved with no substitutions.

Roger Burger: Onekama Village Supervisor, stated 2021- marine docking fee's, collected so far have been \$1,000.00. The village plans to repair the Jetty, and resurface the ramp as there is some exposed steel bars.

Frank English: The Great Lakers Basin Report came in and was distributed. Portage Lake was not mentioned in the report.

Kevin Hughes: The 150- year coins could not be given to the students at Onekama Schools before Christmas due to the school being closed due to a power outage. Kevin said the coins will be given out at an assembly in May of 2022. Kevin shared the new revision of the Harbor Commission Bi Laws; They were approved. The New proposal will be submitted to the Township for final approval at their next meeting. Kevin mentioned that area fishermen have expressed concerns over the population of certain species in Portage Lake. He is asking the Commission to seek out input from DNR reassess Portage Lake fish population. It's been 15 years since it was last done.

Frank English and Kevin Hughes reported that the kayak launch was installed at Light House Park.

Ted Bromley: Reported that Onekama Marine had a great year despite Covid -19 restrictions: Marine boat slips were booked, fuel was dispensed, repairs were accomplished and boats were being sold.

Duncan McColl: Portage Point Inn had a banner year in 2021. Marine boat slips were filled, over night slips were occupied most every night, condominiums were being rented out, PPI kitchen and bar had record sales. Customers enjoyed their stay and made plans through bookings to return in 2022.

Jim Simons: King Construction came through with a check for \$2,000.00. Coin sales have been good, with 150 yet to be sold. The No Wake signs have been put on hold until The Corp of Engineer's approves the paper work. Chris Schoop, Army Corp of Engineers, He see's the benefit of having two signs on the East sides of each revetment entering Portage Lake.

Discussion initiated by Roger Burger, why does Portage Harbor have three lights instead of four. Jim Simons stated that both the US Coast Guard and The Army Corp of Engineers are being evasive in who's jurisdiction it is to place a white or green light on the East end of the North Revetment into Portage lake.

Meeting adjourned; Next meeting March 10th,10:00am 2022, Onekama Township Hall.

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