



STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

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MINUTES

WISCONSIN COASTAL MANAGEMENT COUNCIL MEETING

Door County Maritime Museum
120 N Madison Ave
Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin 54235
Thursday, September 20, 2018
10:30AM

I. Call to Order: 10:33 AM

II. Introductions of New Council Members

III. Roll Call: Larry MacDonald, Dawn Vick, Mike Friis, Sharon Cook, Bill Schuster, Cheryl Bougie (Steve Galarnau Proxy), Titus Seilheimer (Jim Hurley Proxy), Joel Kitchens, Terry White, Cory Mason, Chuck Wagner, Ken Leinbach

Others present: Kate Angel, Todd Breiby, Yi Liu, Adam Bechle, Lauren Leckwee, Greg Coulthurst, Mathew Dornbush, Angela Kowalzek-Adrians, Marty Olejniczak, Mike Barker, William Harder, Thad Birmingham, Rachael Skenandore, Fred Schnook, Sam Pearlman, John Asher, Collene Myer, Jennifer Garner, Kevin Osgood, Jim Langdon

IV. Approval of Agenda: Moved and Approved.

V. Approval of Minutes (June 21, 2018): Not approved. Staff will follow-up.

VI. Welcome: **William Harder**, President, Board of Directors, Door County Maritime Museum
Thad Birmingham, Mayor, City of Sturgeon Bay

William welcomed the council and invited people to stay after the meeting and browse the museum.

Thad welcomed the council. City of Sturgeon Bay appreciates the funding and support of the program. Thad provided a review of previous investments from WCMP and how they impacted the city.

VII. Public Comments: None

VIII. Action Item: **2019 Wisconsin Coastal Management Council Meeting Dates**
February 14, 2019; June 20, 2019; September 26, 2019

Chair Larry MacDonald confirmed the suggested dates. Dates approved.

IX. Reports

A. Maritime Lighthouse Tower

William Harder, presented to the Council on the history and future expansion/updates to the Door County Maritime Museum (DCMM). William provided info on how the museum provides messages and educates museum visitors. Museum plan is to build a tower, an iconic structure, at the site. It will be the flagship building of the organization. There will be 10 floors of exhibits that will tell stories about maritime commerce and boat building activities throughout history. Maritime tower will offer many benefits to the region and will be a draw for residents and tourists. The venue will be suitable for everyone and the plan is to use new techniques to engage the younger demographic. "edutainment" a mix of education and entertainment. The new building plans to have over 50 interactive touch screens. It will be a program that is appropriate for the person using it. Maritime Tower Goals: Grow Door County Tourism, highlight maritime transportation, encourage technical careers, and inspire youth through STEM programs. The

Maritime Tower goals mirror the Governor's Wisconsin priorities. Funding campaign as begun. William played the DCMM campaign promotional video.

B. BLRPC Activities

Angela Kowalzek-Adrians, updated the Council on the activities of the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission for the past 12 months. It has been a busy year. Angela asked that if anyone wants more details on a project, to please contact her. Angela discussed the WCMP-funded Lakeshore Recreation Coastal Study, Twin Rivers Water Trail Plan, Ahnapee River Water Trail Plan and Park Master Plan, and Bike and Pedestrian Trail Inventory (which builds on a WCMP-funded project). Angela mentioned invasive species work in Brown and Kewaunee County funded by GLRI. BLRPC is working with Clean Wisconsin on their WCMP-funded polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons project. There is a USFS project RPCs and WDNR are partnering on to purchase and plant trees as a means to address EAB. Angela provided updates on hazard mitigation plans, comprehensive plans, and zoning ordinances.

C. UW Green Bay Activities

Mathew Dornbush, updated the Council on the progress of submitting a nomination for a National Estuary Research Reserve in Green Bay. He talked about the UW Green Bay STEM Innovation Center (new engineering program) and Titledown Tech (venture fund, studio and innovation lab). The Council discussed the process of designating NERRs. WCMP was significantly involved early-on in the process of designating the Lake Superior NERR and co-led the effort. UW-Green Bay initiatives are designed to build capacity and to be a model globally on how to mitigate and balance restoration, protection and economics. Especially in a stressed system like the Bay of Green Bay.

D. Dunes Lake Restoration

Greg Coulthurst, presented to the Council on the improvements at Dunes Lake. The lake was dredged by the DNR and a parking lot was added for visitors. Next steps are to complete hydraulic dredging and restore connectivity. If enough funding can be secured the plan is to complete the dredging in one final phase. Project continues to have significant collaboration and partnerships from multiple agencies and groups.

E. City of Sturgeon Bay

Marty Olejniczak and Mike Barker provided updates to the Council on the design and future construction of a pedestrian bike path improving safety at one of the busiest intersections in the City. Mike mentioned that Phase 1 of the Bradley Lake Plan focuses reducing nutrient loading and improving water quality and Phase 2 will be opening the canal between Bradley Lake and Lake Michigan. Marty talked about Sawyer Park and the West Waterfront Public Space Design. He mentioned the bicycle and pedestrian path under Bayview Bridge. Cory Mason asked about the ordinary high water mark issues the city is dealing with, as he is starting to see some similar issues. Rep. Kitchens said there isn't a good way to deal with the issues right now. He is exploring legislative options to lay out a permitting process.

X. Updates from Coastal Management Council

Mike and staff gave updates to supplement the written updates provided to the Council. Sharon asked if there is a way to do anything for Joe's personnel file. (Larry gave a letter.)

Dawn mentioned it is the WCMP's 40th anniversary this year.

Larry thanked WCMP staff. He mentioned that he is going to Cuba in January.

Jim Langdon introduced himself.

Sharon mentioned there is a new harbor director in Milwaukee. He would likely love to have a meeting at Port of Milwaukee.

Ken mentioned his work at Urban Ecology Center and how WCMP has helped with their facilities and the arboretum project. He has had people come from all over the world and to see the things Coastal has funded. He mentioned his recent time in Thailand and issues of single-use plastics.

XI. New Business:

XII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 PM.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Thursday, February 14, 2019 in Racine. Exact location TBD