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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY HARBOR COMMISSION

A meeting was held on Monday, **November 12, 2007**, 11:30 A.M., at Holiday Inn – City Centre, Green Bay, WI. The meeting was officially called to order by President McKloskey at 11:30 am.

1) Roll Call:

Present: President Neil McKloskey  
Vice-President Bill Martens  
Commissioner John Gower (left at 12:35 p.m.)  
Commissioner John Hanitz  
Commissioner Hank Wallace  
Commissioner Ron Antonneau (arrived at 11:35 a.m.)  
Commissioner Craig Dickman

Excused: Commissioner Joe Hollister  
Commissioner Tom Van Drasek

Also Present: Dean Haen, Brown County Port & Solid Waste  
Craig Hoppe, Fox River Dock



- 2) Approval/Modification – Meeting Agenda: **A motion to approve the agenda was made by Bill Martens and seconded by John Gower.** Unanimously approved.
- 3) Approval/Modification – September 10, 2007 Meeting Minutes: **A motion to approve the September 10, 2007 minutes was made by John Gower and seconded by Bill Martens.** Unanimously approved.
- 4) Fox River Trail Signage Grant Application – Request for Approval: Manager Haen stated, that pending approval by the Harbor Commission, a grant request has been submitted for signage along the Fox River Trail. The signs, designed by Leadership Green Bay, are a cooperative agreement between the Port of Green Bay, Brown County Parks Department and the City of Green Bay. Haen is proposing four signs be posted along the trail to provide economic, environmental, historic and other information on the Port. More information on the signs will be presented at the December 3, 2007 meeting with the Terminal Operators to discuss the Strategic Communication Plan. **Hank Wallace made a motion to proceed with the Fox River Trail Signage as discussed. The motion was seconded by John Gower.** Unanimously approved.

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- 5) Bylsby Construction – Update: Manager Haen gave an update on the Bylsby property indicating the asphalt has been laid, all permits have been approved and received by Brown County, and Great Lakes Calcium's lease went into effect November 1, 2007. Haen noted the wetlands area of this property is a separate issue and will be discussed at a later time. **A motion was made by John Gower and seconded by Ron Antonneau for staff to proceed with selling and/or removing the steel building currently on the Bylsby property.** Unanimously approved. The Commission commended Haen on the excellent work done on this project.
- 6) Bylsby Conditional Use Permit – Update: Discussed in Agenda Item #5.
- 7) Homeland Security Grant – Update (Port Security Exercise and TWIC Cards): Manager Haen stated that all terminal operators have agreed to participate in the full scale port security exercise next year. At this time, not all the information on the security exercise or TWIC cards is available since the Policies & Procedures Agreement has not been received yet. Haen also noted that the implementation of the TWIC cards has been delayed until the Summer/Fall 2008 because of difficulties encountered with the manufacturer of the TWIC card reader. Any and all personnel entering the security area along the river will need a card to gain entry. Until the reader is available, ID cards will be checked visually by assigned personnel. The grant will cover 50% of the cost of the readers and 50% of the cost for the cards. The remaining 50% will be picked up by the terminal operators.
- 8) Renegotiation of 217 Agreement – Update: Brown County hired Schenk & Associates to review the 217 Agreement. The USACE has proposed a rate of \$2.42 per cy for 2008. After reviewing the Agreement, Schenk concluded the proper figure should be \$8.00 per cy for 2008 (\$0.59 of which is to correct over/underpayments in past years). The data received from Schenk was sent to the USACE and a conference call is scheduled for November 15, 2007. The Commission suggested legislators be made aware of the status of the Agreement following the conference call. Although the Agreement is reviewed and audited every 5 years, Haen will continue to monitor the Agreement on a regular basis. The final negotiated 217 Agreement will be forthcoming to the Harbor Commission.
- 9) Director's Report: Manager Haen indicated the House and Senate overrode the President's veto of the WRDA Authorization Bill and have approved the Bill. The Commission requested Haen keep in contact with Congressman Kagen and Obey on this Bill.

Haen met with Buckeye, the new owner of the former Mobil/Exxon property. Although the new owner would be willing to move the tanks and make property available for purchase to the Port, the minimum price at this time would be \$7.7M. No further action will be taken on this property at this time.

Discussion ensued on other properties which may be available to the Port for purchase and/or lease. Haen was instructed to follow-up with Bill Ward of Procter & Gamble as well as with Georgia Pacific on their specific properties.

Haen updated the Commission on Renard Island. Mayor Schmitt along with the Green Bay City Council have proposed a clay cap for the Island. The Commission strongly reiterated that they believe the County's closure plan provides the best option for closure of the island that is protective of human health and the environment. Therefore, the Harbor Commission stated they felt the County should not endorse or participate in the City's effort.

- 10) Audit of Bills – Request for Approval: **A motion to approve the bills as presented was made by Bill Martens and seconded by Ron Antonneau.** Unanimously approved.
- 11) Such Other Matters as are Authorized by Law: There were no other matters to discuss.
- 12) Adjourn: **A motion to adjourn was made by Ron Antonneau and seconded by John Hanitz.** Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

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Neil McKloskey, President  
Harbor Commission

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