

MEETING OF THE PADSTOW HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS 09/20

HELD IN THE "LONG ROOM", PADSTOW

ON THURSDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 7.00PM

Present: Mr M England, Vice Chairman, Mr D Martin, Mr G Saunders, Mr I Kitto, Mr P Blewett, Mr W Delacour, Mr P O'Neill, Mr B Phillips, Harbour Master.

Apologies: Mr J Hewitt, Chairman, Mr C Toogood

In Attendance: Mrs N Dyer (Assistant Administrator), Mrs P Hicks (Secretary),

To Take Information and Comments from Any Members of the Public Present: None at this meeting as under the present restrictions of the Covid 19 virus regarding social distancing.

Invoices and Payments for the Period Ending 11th September 2020 Invoices totalling £130,143.07 had been paid for the period 18th August to 11th September 2020
The Commissioners read through the list of payments produced by ND.

Approval of Minutes 08/20 The minutes for August were approved as a true account of the PHC meeting – it was proposed by GS and seconded by WD.

Matters Arising from Meeting 08/20 **South Dock Compounds** – The work on the Compounds will commence on Monday 21st September with an intended completion date of Friday 16th October. BP will ensure access is available onto the South Dock at all times.

Ecospan – BP explained that Ecospan have submitted their bathymetric survey information to the UKHO and we should expect to see any relevant chart updates in the near future. BP has also passed this information on to the MAIB as requested, for assistance in the Doombar incident investigation.

Chris Prynn - BP read an email from Mr Prynn containing comments regarding PHC provisions on his proposed dredging operation. The Commissioners discussed the matter at length as to the best way

forward to manage volume, quantity and price of dredged material. BP to provide PHC with costs and information associated with various conversed options including the possibility of the installation of a weighbridge.

Financial Briefing

Commissioners read the report prepared by ND.

ND ran the Commissioners through the monthly cash flow forecast.

Correspondence

Mr C Gregory, Duchy of Cornwall – writes to the Commissioners regarding the retirement of Mr C Matthews. It was proposed by IK and seconded by GS to present CM with a framed aerial photo of the Camel estuary, majority in favour.

Port Administrators Business

Covid 19 – August had been a busy month and September seems to be following suit. The BT 1 Ferry is ready for service should the BT 2 breakdown. With the departure of Rob Lindsey, BP had interviewed another member to join our team. Rob Chapman will be starting on Monday 21st September and employed as Ferry Operator/Harbour Assistant. James Chapman has moved to the permanent position of Ferry Operator in place of RL.

Mannin – Mannin has received her MCA load line inspection which will allow PHC an understanding of costings associated with her 5 year dry docking in March next year. Richard Jay has completed jobs in compliance with MCA requirements. She will be heading for Teignmouth and then back to Truro with a chance of returning to Teignmouth before the end of the year. BP will ensure that some home dredging is undertaken but unfortunately after the pandemic we will not meet the quota this year.

Oil Spill Training – After the MCA requirement for BP to complete an Oil Spill 5p certificate (previously expired) BP is able to attend at Truro Harbour rather than having to travel to Newhaven. BP will also enrol other PHC staff, Alan Hoskin and Leon Burt will also attend the course.

Rock Moorings – (PO/IK/PB declared an interest) It is that time of year where the Rock Moorings need to be considered for the schedule of rates for 2021. Usually the increase is in line with RPI and with the current situation, BP suggested a 1.5 – 2% increase. BP reminded the Commissioners that seasonal mooring holders will be entitled to a pro rata discount next year as agreed at the Covid special meeting, which equates to a 7 week pro rata's discount on next seasons mooring fees. After a short discussion a 1.5% increase on the seasonal Rock moorings for 2021 was proposed by GS and seconded by WD – all in favour. It

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was proposed by DM and seconded by GS that river dues will remain at 02/20/02 the 2020 fee – all in favour.

GS asked about a reduction on Wadebridge moorings due to geographical location - this is to be discussed at the next meeting.

PMSC

Paddleboard Incident – On August 31st Bank Holiday Monday at approx. 13:30 hrs BP was notified by Leon Burt of an incident on the estuary involving a paddle boarder. LB explained the casualty was aboard Stepper Point and receiving CPR. BP attended the office and worked with the emergency services and liaising with the MCA. Tragically the gentleman involved in the incident was pronounced dead at the scene shortly after. The MAIB have been informed and an investigation has begun.

PMSC Monthly Report – Peter Haddock has provided his monthly report for the Commissioners.

Any Other Business

WD – asked about a dory moored opposite Trevelver on the foreshore. BP will task Leon Burt with identifying the vessel and ownership.

WD – the access from Wadebridge to Polbrook had been much improved.

DM – asked BP on progression of a land ownership map on the estuary. BP explained he has been distracted from this due to a busy season. DM suggested asking Malcom McCarthy for his assistance as he has previously registered much of PHC land. BP to contact MM.

IK – asked the Commissioners how the plans etc. for providing a petrol service were progressing. After discussing, it was agreed that BP would bring costings and suggestions to the next meeting.

PO – asked about the repair to Iron Ore Steps and the Drying Grid – BP said that this would be discussed at the next meeting.

BP – Soft sand had been causing problems for the ferry passengers so the service is dynamically assessing the situation daily, and if the crew decide there are any safety concerns, the service will be temporarily stopped until it can resume safely. BP asked for any suggestions from the Commissioners for other mitigation, to bring to the next meeting.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 15th October 2020 at 19:00hrs probably in the “Long Room”

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.55 hrs

