

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES  
RHODE ISLAND STATE PILOTAGE COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, February 6, 2020  
Held at 235 Promenade Street, Room 250  
Providence, RI 02908

<u>MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE</u>
Capt. E. Howard McVay, Chair Capt. Peter Fritz, Vice Chair Dean Hoxsie, RIDEM, Chief of DLE, Member Frank Floor, RIDEM, Chief, Parks and Rec., Member	Atty. Hoefsmit, RIDEM, Commission's Legal Counsel JoAnne Scorpio, RIDEM, Commission Secretary

I. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the RI State Pilotage Commission convened at 9:30am on Thursday, February 6, 2020 at the headquarters of the RIDEM, Division of Law Enforcement. A quorum was present; Commissioners reviewed the draft January 2, 2020 meeting minutes. Commissioner Hoxsie **MOVED** to accept the January meeting minutes. Commissioner Floor **SECONDED** the **MOTION**. Vote was **UNANIMOUS**, 4-0 to approve.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- 1) **Training Update:** Commissioners discussed mandatory training for State Pilots and the timeline to complete the training. They also discussed what the commission's response will be for a pilot's failure to comply with training requirements. They agreed that the pilot will go before the commission to explain their refusal to comply, and it will be the commission's decision to suspend their license until such time is completed.

Vice Chair Fritz (Training Advisory Panel) stated that he sent new member Capt. Mike Campbell training docs. He is currently out at sea, but is enthusiastic to get started when he returns.

- 2) **Capt. Harper Probationary License Status:** Chair McVay advised that Capt. Harper sent in his evaluation sheets and Davisville transits to petition the Commission for an upgrade. After reviewing and discussing Capt. Harper's trips, Commissioner Hoxsie **MOVED** to approve Capt. Harper's request to be upgraded from 32-foot draft to 34-foot draft. Vice Chair Fritz **SECONDED** the **MOTION**. Vote was **UNANIMOUS**. 4-0 in favor.
- 3) **Review of Regulations for Annual Public Hearing:** The Chair stated that he and Atty. Hoefsmit met and went through the regulations from start to finish. He said he was pleased with the revisions. Atty. Hoefsmit advised the regulations will now go to ORR for review. Commissioners and Atty. Hoefsmit were hoping to schedule the public hearing for April 2.

- 4) Review of Pilot Certificates and Expiration Dates:  
All state pilots are up to date with licensure and medical forms through 2020.
  
- 5) Review of Marine Incident Report: Commissioners reviewed and discussed the NTSB report involving the grounding of container ship “Leda Maersk” that occurred in piloted waters.

**III. NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m. Member Dean Hoxsie made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting. Member Frank Floor **SECONDED** the **MOTION**. Vote was **UNANIMOUS**. 4-0 to adjourn.

**Remainder of 2020 Commission Meeting Schedule:**

Regular Monthly Meeting Schedule for 2020	
	Th, Jul 2
	Th, Aug 6
Th, Mar 5	Th, Sep 3
Th, Apr 2	Th, Oct 1
Th, May 7	Th, Nov 5
Th, Jun 4	Th, Dec 3

\*Meeting dates are subject change.