



HARBOR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, April 17 2019
4:00 PM
Department of Public Safety

1. Meeting Called to Order (4:20 by Betty)
2. Roll Call (Betty, Craig, Stuart, Ray, Jack, Jerry)
3. Approval of March 20, 2019 Minutes (Motion by Scott, Second by Craig-Approved 5-0)
4. General Business/Call to the Audience (No Audience)
 - Name
 - Address
 - Information for Harbor Board
5. New Business
 - A. Resolution Opposing Grand River Waterways Dredging Project

There was discussion from members who attended the County presentation on the dredging project and references to the Tribune article on the project. Jerry felt the motion was premature and there has not been enough information or study completed on the project; and that the motion contained statements with no facts. He also stated that the Greenway project included improving access to the river and the dredging was in alignment with the Greenway project. Stuart felt the resolution could be a catalyst to encourage responsibility for maintenance and clean-up of the river. Betty questioned the number of bridges which are not being altered and the ability of the boats to navigate under the bridges. She felt the dredging would be a waste of money and said when the power plant goes out Grand Haven moves down the list for dredging. Craig expressed concern about the ripple effect that this developer's project might have on the river and the possibility of additional marinas being built along the river.

Members "tabled" this item and requested more information to substantiate the statements being made in the resolution.

6. Old Business
 - A. Resolution recommending the Grand Haven City Council further investigate the proposed location of the new natural gas fueled power plant and direct Grand Haven BLP to evaluate other locations apart from the Grand Haven Harbor and Grand River. (Motion by Scott, Second by Jack-Approved 5-0)
7. Miscellaneous - Next meeting: Wednesday, May 22 4pm at Department of Public Safety
8. Adjournment (Motion by Craig, Second by Jerry-Adjourned at 4:35 pm)

Betty J. Clark

5/22/19