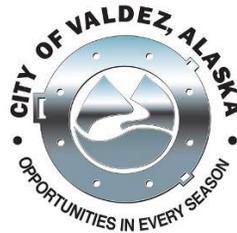


212 Chenega Ave.  
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## **Meeting Minutes - FINAL**

Monday, November 4, 2024

7:00 PM

Regular Meeting

Council Chambers

### **Ports and Harbor Commission**

Regular Meeting – 7:00 PM

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Commission member Alan Steed acting as Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02pm in the Council Chambers.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present 5 - Commission Member Alan Steed Acting as Chair  
Commission Member Neil "Vince" Kelly  
Commission Member Jamie Pierce  
Commission Member Edward Day  
Commission Member Andrea West

Excused 1 - Chairman Colleen Stephens

Also Present 5 - Administrative Assistant Sarah Cox  
Administrative Assistant Tenisha Hunt  
Director of Ports and Harbors Jeremy Talbott  
Port Operations Manager Andrew Doherty  
Harbormaster Sarah Von Bargaen

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. Approval of Port and Harbor Commission regular meeting minutes for August 19th, 2024.**

MOTION: Commission Member Kelly moved, seconded by Commission Member Day, to Approve. The motion carried by the following vote after the following discussion occurred.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:

Yays: 5 – Commission Member Steed, Commission Member West, Commission Member Kelly, Commission Member Pierce, and Commission Member Day.

Motion passed.

**IV. PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Nikki Newcome spoke in opposition to sewage and water fees.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Approval of Recommendation to City Council to Name Rates and Fees for Use of Facilities in the Valdez Harbors and Repeal Resolution No. 23-75 Naming Such Rates and Fees.**

MOTION: Commission Member Day moved, seconded by Commission Member West, to approve.

Commissioner Day asked for clarification about some of the rates and fees which Harbormaster Von Bargaen provided.

Commissioner West discussed storage rates with Harbormaster Von Bargaen.

MOTION TO AMEND: Commission Member Day moved, seconded by Commission Member Pierce, to amend the recommendation to the Valdez City Council to name rates and fees for use of facilities in the Valdez Harbors and repeal Resolution 23-75 by changing the verbiage on page 13, section D to read “Upland storage of vessels, vessels on trailers, cradles, or vessels on cradles staying past the nine (9) month allotted time on both basins, and no active work is being performed, shall be charged a fee that doubles each additional nine (9) months. At the discretion of the Harbormaster, and there is an active and approved work plan, the doubling of fees may be waived. In the event no active work is being performed, the Harbormaster has the right to revoke the work plan and back charges may apply.”, and to correct a typo on page 14, section 3.

VOTE ON THE MOTION TO AMEND:

Yays: 5 – Commission Member Steed, Commission Member West, Commission Member Kelly, Commission Member Pierce, and Commission Member Day.

Motion to amend passed.

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED

Yays: 5 – Commission Member Steed, Commission Member West, Commission Member Kelly, Commission Member Pierce, and Commission Member Day.

Main motion as amended passed.

**VI. REPORTS**

Port & Harbor Director Jeremy Talbott spoke about the approval of new equipment and gave an update on the Kelsey Dock dolphin replacement project and an airline service.

**VII. COMMISSION BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Commission Member Day spoke on commercial fishing devastation.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Commission Member Steed adjourned the meeting at 7:56pm.

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA  
PORTS AND HARBOR COMMISSION

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Alan Steed, Commission Member acting as Chairman

ATTEST:

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Sarah Cox, Harbor Administrative Assistant