

MEETING MINUTES

STATE OF WASHINGTON ~ BOARD OF PILOTAGE COMMISSIONERS

December 16, 2014

Present:

Chairman: Harry Dudley

Commissioners: Dale Jensen, Elsie Hulsizer, Chuck Adams, Ned Kiley, Phil Morrell, Grant Stewart
Don Mayer, Ed Marmol

Administration: Shawna Erickson, Peggy Larson

Jonathan Ward, David Grobschmit, Walt Tabler: Puget Sound Pilots

Mike Moore, Jordan Royer: Pacific Merchant Shipping Association

Mary Nelson: Port of Grays Harbor (*by telephone*)

Lou Paulsen: Port of Tacoma

Paul Tramm, Jim Tynan: USCG Sector Puget Sound

Craig Lee, Loren Lee: Public

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing of the Board of Pilotage Commissioners was convened at 9:45 a.m. by Chairman Harry Dudley in the Alki Conference Room at 2901 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

WAC 363-116-082: LIMITATIONS ON NEW PILOTS. The proposed rule modifies license limitations and upgrade requirements for a new pilot in the Grays Harbor Pilotage District. These changes will allow a pilot in his/her first five license years to perform pilotage services on vessels more in line with the traffic currently calling in the Grays Harbor District. A review of all vessels of all tonnages calling in Grays Harbor was made which necessitates adjusting certain tonnage categories within the license limitation table (subsection (4)) and the corresponding license upgrade trip requirements (subsection (5)) in order to move through the process of upgrading one's license more efficiently. Subsequent to the initial public hearing held on September 18, 2014, the Board has received one additional written proposal for consideration suggesting modifications related to *Length Overall* as opposed to *GT/ITC* modifications as filed. There was no oral testimony.

The Board may adopt a rule that varies from the filed rule upon consideration of all oral presentations and written comments from any interested party. The public hearing was closed by Chairman Dudley at 9:46 a.m.

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Pilotage Commissioners was convened at 9:46 a.m. by Chairman Harry Dudley in the Alki Conference Room, 2901 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington. Commissioner Elsie Hulsizer was recognized for her two terms of service since September of 2007. Her term expires later this month.

Consideration of Preceding Hearing: WAC 363-116-082. All written and oral testimony was reviewed and considered by the Board. A government to government meeting was held on December 11th at the request of the Quinault Indian Nation. The written proposal contrasting LOA categories of vessels calling in Grays Harbor to GT/ITC categories was discussed. The Trainee Evaluation Committee asked for more time to review and study this proposal. Motion: Hulsizer/Adams – re-open and continue the public hearing to January 15, 2015 and extend the public comment period – Carried. Motion: Adams/Mayer – if, before January 15th, the TEC decides that the LOA concept is a viable option, Chairman Dudley be empowered to authorize the filing of a new CR-102 to broaden the proposed WAC modifications and set a new hearing date – Carried. (10:30 a.m.)

Minutes. The November 18, 2014 Minutes stand approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS**Pilot's Report of Marine Safety Occurrence: STAR LOUISIANA, 10-23-14**

Dofflemeyer Point	An additional report has been filed by the training pilot. The report from <i>Grieg Star</i> has not yet been received. There was no rudder failure. Nothing mechanical caused the event. A combination of current, load and type of rudder may have contributed to it.	Near Miss	<u>Motion:</u> Mayer/Marmol File as a Marine Safety Occurrence – Carried.
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NEW BUSINESS**BPC Staff Report.**

- Captain Jensen continues with his PPU training requirements and his post-training program.
- Captain White completed the *PPU Training Section of his Training Program* and successfully demonstrated his proficiency on a PPU. He will be licensed for the GHPD on January 2, 2015.
- Month-end spreadsheets of PS pilot data were distributed.

Approval of Pilot License Upgrade Program: Captain Eric Lichty. Captain Eric Lichty is nearing completion of his first license year. Motion: Marmol/Morrell - approve the license upgrade program for Captain Lichty as drafted by the TEC with a minor modification - Carried.

Pilot's Report of Marine Safety Occurrence: MSC NERISSA, 11-22-14

Pier 46, Seattle	Bow thruster failure.	Navigational Safety Concern	<u>Motion:</u> Marmol/Kiley File as a Marine Safety Occurrence – Carried.
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Pilot's Report of Marine Safety Occurrence: UASC AJMAN, 11-28-14

Terminal 30, Seattle	Engine failure due to a bubble in the fuel line.	Navigational Safety Concern	<u>Motion:</u> Marmol/Kiley File as a Marine Safety Occurrence – Carried.
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Pilot's Report of Marine Safety Occurrence: ATLANTIC SUPERIOR, 12-1-14

Duwamish Waterway, Seattle	Bow thruster failure.	Navigational Safety Concern	<u>Motion:</u> Marmol/Kiley File as a Marine Safety Occurrence – Carried.
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Committee Reports.**Trainee Evaluation Committee:**

- There was no TEC meeting held in December.
- Training Program progress was reviewed for all current trainees: Captains Surface, Lowe, Carstensen, Kelleher, Henderson, Furst and Rounds.
- Captain Jonathan Ward's term as PSP President will end on January 13th. According to Board Policy the TEC will configure a re-entry program for him for Board approval on January 15th.

Legislative/WAC Committee: Nothing new to report.

Tariff Policy Committee: The Committee is at rest as stakeholders continue to meet.

Exam Committee: Chairman Dudley appointed Commissioner Ed Marmol to the Exam Committee, joining Commissioner Mayer and himself.

Activity Reports. Mary Nelson, representing Port of Grays Harbor, Captain Jonathan Ward, representing Puget Sound Pilots, and Captain Mike Moore, representing Pacific Merchant Shipping Association, offered current and projected statistical data as well as updates on current maritime events. Captain David Grobschmit is the newly elected Puget Sound Pilot's President effective January 13th.

Confirmation of Next Regular Meeting Dates. The next regular meeting date is set for January 15, 2015 following a 9:30 a.m. public hearing, at 2901 3rd Avenue, Seattle. The following regular meeting date is set for February 19th.

Review of Pilot/Trainee Physical Examination Reports. Motion: Marmol/Kiley - accept the physicians' reports for Captains J.E. Arnold, T.D. Coryell, J.A. Hannuksela, J.T. Kearns, S.E. Moreno and A.J. Newman for annual pilot license renewal – Carried. Captain J.K. Ward remains unfit for duty.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Dudley adjourned the regular session Board meeting at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Larson, Executive Director

Harry H. Dudley, Chairman

Dale R. Jensen, Vice Chairman

Commissioner Elsie J. Hulsizer

Commissioner Charles F. Adams

Commissioner Edmund I. Kiley

Commissioner Philip Morrell

Commissioner J. Grant Stewart

Commissioner Donald W. Mayer

Commissioner Edmund Marmol