

**APPROVED MINUTES
WATER RESOURCES & ADVISORY BOARD**

A meeting of the Water Resources & Advisory Board held on **Tuesday, August 1, 2023** at **7:00 p.m.** in the Geer Conference Room at City Hall, 27600 Jefferson Circle Drive, St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

PRESENT

Chairman: Joe Claycomb

Commissioners: Warren Danford Jr.
Robert Krompatic
Alex Lince
Robert Michielutti, Jr.
Michael Monaghan
Theresa Paulus

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

Jim Osterhout, Building Official	Robert Rizzo, 22684 Bayview
Veronica Black, Recording Secretary	Bulent Chavdar, 22692 Bayview
Barry Boudreaux, B C Marine	Mark Smolenski, 22684 Bayview
Joey Rutkowski, 23144 Liberty	Larry Rekowski, Marine One
Gary Rutkowski, 23148 Liberty	Kirk Shankie, 22625 Shorewood

1. CALL TO ORDER

Claycomb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

4. APPROVAL OF JULY 11, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Danford made a motion, supported by Krompatic, to **approve** the July 11, 2023 meeting minutes as presented.

AYES: All
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION: Passed

5. Canal Case #22-2023 – BC Marine on behalf of Joseph Rutowski – 23144 Liberty - Install 60' of seawall to close off upland cut boatwell prior to filling boatwell. Place

130 cubic yards of material obtained from an upland source. Place 6 piling along new seawall. Tabled at 7/11/2023 Water Resources Meeting.

Barry Boudreaux, B C Marine, and Joey Rutkowski, homeowner of 23144 Liberty, present.

The elevation listed on the application is 578.3', a hold harmless will need to be signed by the homeowner. The homeowner will also be required to sign the Water Resources application.

The contractor does not yet have the Army Corps permit, but anticipates having it shortly.

Monaghan made a motion, supported by Paulus, to [approve](#) Canal Case #22-2023 – BC Marine on behalf of Joseph Rutowski – 23144 Liberty - Install 60' of seawall to close off upland cut boatwell prior to filling boatwell. Place 130 cubic yards of material obtained from an upland source. Place 6 piling along new seawall. Approved with a signed hold harmless agreement from the homeowner.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION: Passed

- 6. Canal Case #23-2023 – Maritime Marine on behalf of Mark Smolenski – 22684 Bayview - Excavate approximately 166 c. yds for a new 15' x 30' boat well, 80 linear feet of seawall and one four post hoist with two entrance piles.**

Mark Smolenski, homeowner of 22684 Bayview present.

Monaghan and Paulus stated that they are neighbors of 22684 Bayview, but have no financial interest in the case, therefore will not be excusing themselves from voting.

The case is confirmed as a “canal” case rather than a “lake” case.

The contractor confirmed the elevation as 581'. No hold harmless will be required.

A discussion occurred on the distance between the hoist and the neighboring property lines. For the marine permit to be issued, the contractor will need to provide these measurements on the drawings.

Monaghan made a motion supported by Krompatic, to [approve](#) Canal Case #23-2023 – Maritime Marine on behalf of Mark Smolenski – 22684 Bayview - Excavate approximately 166 c. yds for a new 15' x 30' boat well, 80 linear feet of seawall and one four post hoist with two entrance piles. Approved with the stipulation that the contractor change the elevation to 581' on the Water Resources application, the proper EGLE and Army Corps be submitted with the marine permit application, and the measurements to property line be included in the drawings.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION: Passed

7. Canal Case #24-2023 – Marine One on behalf of Kirk Shankie – 22625 Shorewood - Install 18' of steel seawall within 12 inches of existing seawall. Backfill with 6A natural stone.

Larry Rekowski, Marine One, and Kirk Shankie, homeowner of 22625 Shorewood, present.

The elevation of the seawall will be 580.46', which is above what is needed. No hold harmless is required.

Rekowski stated that the whole seawall will be replaced over time, but Marine One is only doing 18' of seawall - going up to the boathouse - this season. Rekowski compared the project to marinas in the area where they are approved for a large amount of work over the course of so many years, then pull marine permits for the work they do specific to each year.

A discussion occurred on how the seawall will be tied into the neighbors' seawalls. The contractor amended the application to reflect 71' of total seawall being requested.

Krompatic made a motion, supported by Monaghan, to approve Canal Case #24-2023 – Marine One on behalf of Kirk Shankie – 22625 Shorewood - Install 71' of steel seawall within 12 inches of existing seawall. Backfill with 6A natural stone.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION: Passed

Note: Water Resources approval is valid for a period of six months and all work must conclude within one year from approval. For timeline approval outside of City ordinance guidelines, the contractor must re-appear at a future Water Resources Board meeting for amended approval.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD.

Chairman Claycomb advocated for the need for another Board member, preferably not on the same street as the current Board members.

A discussion occurred on the licensing requirements for marine contractors. Marine contractors are required to be insured and bonded with the City before marine permits may be pulled.

9. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION. – None

10. ADJOURNMENT

Monaghan made a motion, supported by Krompatic, to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION: Passed

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