

APPROVED MINUTES  
RHODE ISLAND STATE PILOTAGE COMMISSION MEETING  
 Thursday, September 6, 2018  
 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 Hoxie, RIDEM, Member	Atty. Christina Hoefsmit, Counsel to the RISPC Jo-Anne Scorpio, Secretary to the RISPC Bob, Blackburn, Port Director QDC Capt. Paul Costabile, Ex. Director, NEMPA Capt. Sean Bogus, President, RI State Pilot Board
<u>EXCUSED FROM ATTENDANCE</u>	
Frank Floor, RIDEM, Member	

I. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

A regular monthly meeting of the RI Pilot Commission was called to order at approximately 9:30am on Thursday September 6, 2018 at the headquarters of the RIDEM, Division of Law Enforcement. A quorum was present; the June 28, 2018 minutes were reviewed. Vice Chair Fritz **MOVED** to accept the minutes; Member Dean Hoxie seconded the **MOTION**. [Voted 2-0 to accept.](#)

II. OLD BUSINESS

- 1) **Schedule Changes:** No changes to the remaining schedule. The remainder of the 2018 meetings will take place on the following dates: October 4, November 1, and December 6.
- 2) **State Pilot Board Report:** No. Updates. Chair McVay advised that he has not received a report, however, the Board members met to discuss Apprentice Pilot Dale Harper; a report will be forthcoming.
- 3) **Pilot Training Advisory Panel:** Vice Chair Fritz distributed a copy of his report from the recent meeting of the Pilot Training Advisory Panel (report filed in Commission Files). Chair McVay also attended that meeting. The members talked about some of the goals that the Panel will be working on that included refresher training for “Rules of the Road”. Vice Chair Fritz also talked about his experience boarding a large car carrier and observing a pilot from the bridge bring the ship into Davisville.
- 4) **Communication System:** Paul Costabile advised that they must find another location other than the substation in Portsmouth to put the antenna. He also said the current system that is still functional will eventually be phased out by Verizon. Commissioners and pilots discussed investigating a new system and meeting with Chief Ball (Emergency Response) and the Coast Guard for their input.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) No new business.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

V. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS

The next scheduled meeting is on October 4, 2018. Remaining scheduled meetings for 2018: November 1, and December 6.