

APPROVED MINUTES  
RHODE ISLAND STATE PILOTAGE COMMISSION MEETING  
Thursday, November 2, 2017  
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, Member Larry Mouradjian, Member Frank Floor, Member	Atty. Gary Powers, Counsel to the RIPC Jo-Anne Scorpio, Secretary to the RISPC Robert Blackburn, Port Director, Quonset Dev. Corp Paul Costabile, Ex. Dir., Northeast Marine Pilots Assn.

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, November 2, 2017, at the headquarters of the RIDEM, Div. Law Enforcement. A quorum was present; the October 11, 2017 minutes were reviewed and voted to approve. Commissioner Floor MOVED to accept the minutes; Commissioner Fritz seconded the MOTION. [Voted 3-0 in favor.](#)

II. OLD BUSINESS

- 1) **Medical Certificates:** The Chair explained that the medical certificate issued by the USCG could be filed with the Commission files to replace the (USCG) 719k medical form. Atty. Powers will modify the current regulations citing that the Pilot will provide the Commission's supplemental form and the USCG medical certificate annually.  
  
**State Pilot Board Updates:**  
Dale Harper: No reports from the State Pilot Board, however, the Chair advised that Capt. Harper has been transiting Cape Cod Canal and is continuing to improve. He has also attended manned-model training.
- 2) **Pilot Advisory Panel Update:**  
No updates.
- 3) **Regulations Update:** Atty. Powers explained that the Pilot Regulations have not been approved by the Office of Regulation Review (ORR) due to new compliance issues. The Secretary of State's Office, ORR, and Off. of Legal Services will be meeting concerning impacted regulations. Atty. Powers will update the Commissioners.
- 4) **Capt. Sanford Probationary License:** Commissioners discussed Capt. Sanford's trips in Narragansett Bay. The Chair advised the Capt. Sanford is currently up to 188 trips total.

Vice Chair MOVED to approved Capt. Sanford Full-Branch license. Member Mouradjian seconded the motion. *Voted 3-0 in favor.*

### III. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioners discussed pilots-in-training and what criteria would be necessary when voting to upgrade a their license from probationary to Full Branch, , i.e. how many successful trips demonstrated, with/without supervision, in challenging conditions.

The Chair stated that he will draft guidelines that the pilot must demonstrate in order to achieve a Full Branch License.

### IV. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Fritz made a MOTION for the meeting to adjourn. Commissioner Floor seconded the MOTION. *Voted 3-0 in favor.* The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

### V. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Next schedule meeting will be Thursday, December 7, 2017, beginning at approximately 9:30 am at the Dept. of Environmental Management, Division of Law Enforcement, 235 Promenade Street, Rm. 250, Providence, RI 02908.