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A RESOLUTION CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF LA POINTE, ASHLAND COUNTY, WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, the Town of La Pointe, consistent with the requirements of Wisconsin Statute §30.37 and § 30.38, desires to create and establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners to exercise and perform duties conferred by law; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statute §30.37 authorizes governing municipalities situated on a navigable waterway, such as the Town of La Pointe, to establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statute §30.38 authorizes a Board of Harbor Commissioners to exercise various duties and powers including, but not limited to, the exclusive control of the commercial aspects of the day-to-day operation of the public harbor and facilities; the maintenance and leasing of harbor facilities; the operation of municipal harbor craft; the acquisition, charter and operations of vessels for use in domestic and foreign commerce; the fixing and regulation of fees; and all other related powers and duties under the law; and

WHEREAS, the Town of La Pointe desires to have 7 members of the Board of Harbor Commissioners created by this Resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LA POINTE AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Town of La Pointe, effective with the passage of this Resolution, shall create and establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners.
- 2. All of the following requirements concerning the Town of La Pointe's Board of Harbor Commissioners shall be met as follows:
 - a. The Board of Harbor Commissioners shall consist of 7 members.
 - b. The original term of office for each original member of the Board of

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Harbor Commissioners shall commence on October 7, 2022.

- c. The length of the original term or each member of the first Board of Harbor Commissioners to be appointed pursuant to this Resolution shall be as follows:
 - i. Two members' original term of office shall expire in one year of original appointment; and
 - ii. Two members' original term shall expire in two years of original appointment; and
 - iii. Three members' original term shall expire in three years of original appointment.
- d. As soon as possible after passage of this Resolution, the Town Chairperson shall appoint the original members of the Board of Harbor Commissioners and designate the length of the term of each member consistent with the terms of this Resolution and Wisconsin Statute §30.37. Thereafter, the Town Chairperson shall appoint a successor for a 3-year term at the expiration of the term of the original member. All appointments shall be subject to confirmation by the Town Board of La Pointe.
- e. No person shall be appointed to the Board of Harbor Commissioners unless that person is a qualified elector and a resident of the Town of La Pointe for at least three consecutive years prior to taking office.
- f. Not more than one member of the Town Board of La Pointe shall be eligible for appointment to the Board of Harbor Commissioners. There is no requirement for a Town Board member to be a member of the Board of Harbor Commissioners.
- g. No member of the Board of Harbor Commissioners shall receive compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for expenses actually and necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties.
- h. Said members of the Board of Harbor Commissioners shall have all the

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powers and duties authorized by \$30.37 and \$30.38 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as amended from time to time.

- If there is a vacancy in the Board of Harbor Commissioners, the successor shall be appointed for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.
- j. As soon as possible after the appointment and confirmation of the members of the Board of Harbor Commissioners, they shall meet and organize by electing a president and vice president from among their members and hold meetings at such times and places as they determine and adopt such bylaws consistent with law as seem practicable for the Board's government.
- k. The board shall employ a secretary who is not a member of the Board and fix the secretary's salary. The Board may employ such other persons, including a harbor master, as it deems necessary for the proper performance of its functions and fix their duties and compensation.
- 1. The initial meeting of the Board shall be at a date and time agreed to by a majority of Commissioners and timely posted by the Town Clerk, otherwise on Thursday October 13, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

This Resolution was adopted by the Town Board of the Town of La Pointe on the day of October, 2022.

TOWN OF LA POINTE, WISCONSIN

Glenn Carlson, Town Board Chair

ATTEST:

Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk