

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS**

Telephone Conference Call

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April 24, 2020, 10:00 a.m. EDT

UNAPPROVED

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kurtz called the conference call meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Carolyn Kurtz, Chair
Commissioner Michael Jaccoma, Vice Chair
Commissioner Bob Benson
Commissioner Bruce Cumings
Commissioner Cheryl Phipps
Commissioner Ed Russo

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Commissioner Brian Seuter-unexcused

OTHERS PRESENT

Amanda Ackermann, Executive Director
Anne Ahrendt, Government Analyst
Marlene Stern, Board Counsel
Commander Galen Dunton, Board Consultant
Captain Tom Brushy, Board Consultant
Jennifer Graner, Panza Mauer law firm
Laura DiBella, Executive Director, Florida Harbor Pilots Association
Court Reporter, For the Record

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF APPLICANTS FOR DEPUTY PILOT OPENINGS FOR PORT OF PENSACOLA

Commander Dunton stated that the following applicants met the requirements to take the Deputy Pilot examination for Port of Pensacola: William Boss Jr., Daniel Hanson, Jeff Harris, Joel Soileau, Adel Sotolongo, and David Walraven.

Commissioner Cumings made a motion to approve the candidates as presented by Commander Dunton to sit for the June 2020 Port of Pensacola Deputy Pilot Examination. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Phipps. Motion carried.

MOTION TO DENY

Commander Dunton stated that the application file for Jennifer Bono demonstrated that the applicant did not provide her license, evidence of education, a physical, a drug test

and proof of sea time; therefore, the applicant failed to meet the requirements for maritime experience as set forth in section 310.071, F.S., & rule 61G14-11.002 F.A.C.

A motion was made by Commissioner Phipps to deny the application for Jennifer Bono as she did not meet the requirements to sit for the June 2020 Port of Pensacola Deputy Pilot Examination. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jaccoma. Motion carried.

Commander Dunton stated that the application file for Sean Duffy demonstrated that the applicant failed to provide a physical and proof of sea time; therefore, the applicant failed to meet the requirements for maritime experience as set forth in section 310.071, F.S., & rule 61G14-11.002 F.A.C.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cumings to deny the application for Sean Duffy as he did not meet the requirements to sit for the June 2020 Port of Pensacola Deputy Pilot Examination. Motion seconded by Commissioner Phipps. Motion carried.

Commander Dunton stated that the application file Robert Harrigan for demonstrated that the applicant's seatime was on dual mode integrated tug and barge; therefore, the applicant failed to meet the requirements for maritime experience as set forth in section 310.071, F.S., & rule 61G14-11.002 F.A.C.

A motion was made by Commissioner Benson to deny the application for Robert Harrigan as he did not meet the requirements to sit for the June 2020 Port of Pensacola Deputy Pilot Examination. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cumings. Motion carried.

Commander Dunton stated that the application file for Rusty Kaufmann demonstrated that the applicant did not provide a drug test and that all his sea time was with tugs; therefore, the applicant failed to meet the requirements for maritime experience as set forth in section 310.071, F.S., & rule 61G14-11.002 F.A.C.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jaccoma to deny the application for Rusty Kaufmann as he did not meet the requirements to sit for the June 2020 Port of Pensacola Deputy Pilot Examination. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cumings. Motion carried.

Commander Dunton stated that the application file Colleen Lindgren for demonstrated that the applicant had an insufficient license, and all her sea time was inland on tugs; therefore, the applicant failed to meet the requirements for maritime experience as set forth in section 310.071, F.S., & rule 61G14-11.002 F.A.C.

A motion was made by Commissioner Benson to deny the application Colleen Lindgren for as she did not meet the requirements to sit for the June 2020 Port of Pensacola Deputy Pilot Examination. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jaccoma. Motion carried.

Commander Dunton stated that the application file for George May demonstrated that the applicant failed to provide proof of education and all his seatime was on offshore service vessels (OSV); therefore, the applicant failed to meet the requirements for maritime experience as set forth in section 310.071, F.S., & rule 61G14-11.002 F.A.C.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cumings to deny the application for George May as he did not meet the requirements to sit for the June 2020 Port of Pensacola Deputy Pilot Examination. Motion seconded by Commissioner Phipps. Motion carried.

Commander Dunton stated that the application file for Terence McKelvey Jr. demonstrated that the applicant was shy 194 days of seat time; therefore, the applicant failed to meet the requirements for maritime experience as set forth in section 310.071, F.S., & rule 61G14-11.002 F.A.C.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cumings to deny the application for Terence McKelvey Jr. as he did not meet the requirements to sit for the June 2020 Port of Pensacola Deputy Pilot Examination. Motion seconded by Commissioner Phipps. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Chair Kurtz inquired about the timing of the release of the grades for Pensacola as it relates to the release of the grades from the March 2020 examination. There was some concern about people who were eligible to be appointed to the ports tested in March and also testing for the Pensacola position. The concern was that there would not be a candidate qualified for Pensacola. If there were no available candidate, the port would come before the board and ask for another examination.

NEW BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Phipps and seconded by Commission Benson. The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.