Mayor Dika called the fourteenth meeting of the eightieth Harbor Springs City Council to order at 7:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers at 160 Zoll Street, Harbor Springs, Michigan. Mayor Dika stated that this meeting was a special meeting and the only item for consideration was the approval of two “Marine Commercial License Permits”.

1. Roll Call and Verification of Quorum

Present: John L. Cupps, Alan J. Dika, Frederick Holdorph and Cecelia Johnston

Absent: Alan Hegedus

Also Present: City Manager Thomas C. Richards, City Attorney James T. Ramer, Police Chief Daniel J. Branson, and City Clerk Ronald B. McRae

2. Consideration of Marine Commercial License Permits

City Manager Richards stated that two individuals were seeking City Council approval on their applications for commercial licenses for Charters on the Harbor. The first license was from Scott Carbeck to operate a charter fishing operation from his mooring in the Harbor. The second license requested was for the Depot Dining Club Restaurant (the “Depot”) to pick up customers and drop them off at the City Docks to go to lunch and or dinner.

City Manager Richards stated that Carbeck was already issued a license administratively. It was not known that City Council approval was necessary. There have been no issues with the operation and a license was issued in 2011, and it was without City Council approval.

City Manager Richards stated that Tim Patton, owner of the Depot, wanted to be able to pick up people at their boats and drop them off at docks within the City Marina area. From the City Docks the people could walk to the Depot for lunch and or dinner. Normally, picking up or dropping people off would not require a license. However, because this activity is tied to the Depot's operation, it is considered commercial and would require a license.

Council discussed this issue. Councilperson Holdorph stated that he sent a copy of the U.S. Coast Guard rules for transporting people to City Manager Richards.

Councilperson Cupps thought that the request for the Charter Licenses was great.

After the brief discussion, the following motion was offered:

#7923 – Motion by Cupps, second by Johnston, to authorize the City Manager to issue the Charter License Permits to Scott Carbeck for his fishing charter and to Tim Patton for his boat shuttle to bring people to a City or private dock for delivery of the Depot customers.

Ayes – 4
Nays – 0

Motion carried.
3. Adjournment

With no further business, Mayor Dika adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

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Ronald B. McRae, City Clerk

Approved: July 16, 2012

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Alan J. Dika, Mayor