

Port Community Liaison Committee Meeting

Date: March 23, 2023
Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Location: Neptune Theatre Craig Boardroom, 1593 Argyle St, Halifax
Chair: Shadman Sadab
Coordinators: Jill Chappell & Emily Richardson, Halifax Port Authority (HPA)

Attendees:

<u>Members:</u>	<u>HPA:</u>
1. Cathy McCarthy	1. Captain Allan Gray
2. Yassine Mazouze	2. Adam Parsons
3. Hannah Harrison	3. Jill Chappell
4. Camila Das Gupta	4. Emily Richardson
5. Chris Bewsher	
6. Shadman Sadab	Regrets:
7. Poet Comeau	• Pamela Glode-Desrochers
8. Jesse Sharratt	• Juanita Peters
9. Wayne Mason	• Hisham Hamdan
10. Ossama Nasrallah	• Laurel Dykun
11. Sarah Craig	

AGENDA:

1. Welcome (5:30 - 5:45 PM)

- Land Acknowledgement
- Welcome by Chair

2. General Business (5:45 - 6:00 PM)

- Committee Check-In: Round table updates from members

3. Captain's Update (6:00-6:30)

- Update from Allan on Port news and activities
 - 12 Safety incidents: 3 First Aid, 2 Equipment Failure, 1 lost time injury, 5 near misses.
 - 1 Environmental Incident: fueling truck spill, spill effectively contained and cleaned up. No fuel entered water or drainage.
 - Allan reviewed our finalized 2023 Cargo Statistics.
 - PSA Halifax purchased eight new electric Rubber Tyred Gantry cranes for Atlantic Hub Terminal
 - Allan highlighted the pros and cons of moving to a fully electric terminal operation in Halifax
 - The Port of Halifax is expecting 191 cruise calls carrying approximately 325,000 passengers in the 2023 season.
 - The Port of Halifax has signed an MOU with Hamburg Port Authority for a collaborative link between the PIER (HPA) and homePORT (Port of Hamburg).
 - David Thomas has signed with HPA as the Executive Director at the PIER.

- Upcoming events: Annual Meeting (May 24), One Port City Day (June 10), Port of Halifax Supply Chain Forum (September 19)
- Questions & Feedback from committee

4. Role of the Harbour Master (6:30-7:15)

- Presentation by Halifax Port Authority Harbour Master Adam Parsons
 - Adam provided information on his journey through education, sailing experience and work experience to arrive in the position he holds today.
 - The Harbour Master role plays a key role in ensuring public safety. The Harbour Master acts as a liaison with the community, ship agents, stakeholders and harbour users. A Harbour Master must be familiar with all relevant safety, environmental and health laws at the international, national and local level.
 - The Canada Marine Act allows the Harbour Master to set the rules and regulations within the harbour limits.
 - Adam explained the PortControl system, currently available for viewing to anyone via the Port of Halifax website. PortControl is a virtual platform to support 24/7 operations, serving as 1 source of truth for all users.
 - Allan and Adam touched on the importance of the pilots in the harbour. It is a two-year training process and without proper staffing, the efficiency of the port will be affected.
 - HPA is implementing a Joint Operations Centre (JOC). The JOC will help find new efficiencies for containerized cargo operation planning through collaborative decision-making. It enhances the Port's ability to maintain fluidity with minimal vessel berthing delays. It is the first of its kind in North America. The JOC features:
 - Marine Dashboard
 - Rail Dashboard
 - Terminal Dashboard
 - HPA hired a Deputy Harbour Master, Corey Gleason. He is responsible for oversight and management of marine operational activities including marine matters and cargo-related operations.
- Q & A Session with committee

5. Meeting Wrap Up/Closing (7:15 – 7:30 PM)

- Meeting Wrap up, remarks from Chair and/or members
- Proposing May 25, 2023, for next meeting