## Harbor Committee Minutes February 22, 2007

Members present; SA- Steve Archambault, BO- Bill Oliver, MK – Manny Kourinos, JW- John Winslow. Town Staff CT-Chief Tolan, Harbor Master, KC- Kevin Cady

Meeting called to order at 8:05am by Chairman SA.

Public Comment was opened, Falmouth resident John Ford addressed the committee on not being able to acquire a mooring permit for the past 4 years. Thru much discussion with the committee, John Ford stated he had been operating a Charter Fishing Business and had been using a mooring that belongs to a Bill Moody with the approval of John Dalton.

With much discussion John Ford was informed of the process that needed to take place before operating a Business from the Town Pier and was given a copy of the Ordinance that applies and to be placed on the next Harbor Committee Meeting's Agenda.

The minutes for January 18<sup>th</sup> were reviewed and a motion from BO to approve and MK seconded. Unanimous vote of approval.

Harbor Masters Report, (Hand Out), KC gave an overview of his report and stated that applications were slow in coming in. KC had sent out bid proposals for Lighted Buoys to demark the Special Anchorage. The process for Float repair and replacement had begun hopefully to include a Gangway Gallows System

CT explained the situation with John Dalton and that he had proposed to the Town Manager of a permanent replacement for Harbor Master to be advertised in House. Also in his proposal to include a Summertime Ranger. The committee endorsed CT recommendations .

Dinghy permit application process was opened for discussion. After a long debate between committee members it was decided that permits will be issued first come first served in person holding a valid Mooring Permit with access from Town Landing. KC to write-up a Public notice for the April 7<sup>th</sup> date.

JW presented a report on the use of wooden spar buoys for marking moorings in off season winter conditions. State and Federal mooring marker regulations state that all mooring markers shall be white in color with a blue stripe and permit number. JW presented an alternative buoy marker that would fill the bill for uniformity in the Anchorage. After committee debate this subject tabled for further discussion.

Discussion opened on RFP Consultants. Questions for consultant were reviewed in preparation for interviews. Proposed land purchase on Rt. 88 was discussed and what effect that will play out. CT brought up questions proposed by the Town Manager. Date

was set for interviews, March 8<sup>th</sup> 8-11 am. Bids were opened, N.E. Consultants \$38,600 and Malone & Macbroom \$38,000.

Topic of the upcoming Sunset provision on the Moratorium was discussed with the committee comfortable to let it dissolve and with strict direction from the Harbor Master. SA to present to the Town Council a Harbor Committee year end Report at their next regular meeting.

Next Committee Meeting Scheduled March 15<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00am

BO motioned to adjourned MK seconded, meeting adjourned 10:04 am.

Respectfully submitted John Winslow