

Harbor Committee Minutes May 17, 2007

Meeting called to order at 8:25 am at the 2nd floor conference room located at the Town Hall. Roll call had 6 members present with Richie not able to attend the meeting. Others in attendance were HM Kevin Cady, AHM Rick Freese, Chief Tolan and Dave Libby.

Chairperson Steve Archambault open the meeting with comments, on his attendance to the Port Safety Forum Meeting held in Portland. Presented question on Winterization of mooring tackle. Meeting held to interview Kevin for the Full time position of Harbor Master with full endorsement of the committee and Stated for the record that Falmouth is not forcing non-residents from the Anchorage.

The April 19th Minutes were reviewed for approval, Bill moved a motion to accept and Peter second the motion, unanimous vote to accept.

Steve opened the floor for Public comment, no-one present for public comment and Steve closed the floor for Public Comment.

Next agenda item, Harbor Masters Report , hand-out given to committee members. Highlights of Hand-out, 1274 total count of moorings with 1164 current paid permits, late fee's paid 54 resident and 58 non-resident, total indicated access from Town Landing 319. Other points of interest, Patrol Boat operational May 5th, Floats have new hardware installed with arrival of 2 new floats in a couple of weeks. New Coast Guard registered Anchorage Markers installed with solar LED flashing lights. New paint on structures at Town Landing along with storm damaged parking area repaired and new signage. Floats schedule to go in after the next pending storm.

Chief Tolan spoke on the availability of SHIP Grants and after a meeting with Kevin Rousseau the Route 88 property would be eligible. Stated to stay away from Covenant Grant , would not be worth the loss of local control. 3 candidates for the summer Ranger Job. Jeff Riddle offered to GIS moorings in the Anchorage for mapping purposes.

Next agenda item; Proposed Aquaculture project by Mark Green. With Mr. Green not present and interpretation on the State Law questioning the Town's authority Bill motioned to table subject to next meeting with Peter seconded, unanimous vote to table.

Agenda item on the mooring tackle winterization was discussed by committee members with all spars to be white in color with ID number by 08 was suggested. Topic to be discussed again with consultants report.

Agenda item on the Winter safety ladder was re- visited and discussed with Kevin to check into Insurance issues and to bring subject up at future meeting.

Agenda item on mooring inspection process was discussed by the committee with the result of leaving the inspection process stand as written.

New Business; Steve passed out a copy of a letter to present to Retired, John Dalton for approval from the committee, Bill motioned to accept and Jay seconded, vote passed with 1 nay vote.

Commercial vessel moorings being addressed by Kevin.

Discussion of dinghy waivers discussed by the committee and agreed to leave as is.

Launch service opened for discussion and due to time constraints and the time that needs for this topic Jay motioned to table subject for the June Meeting and passed by unanimous vote.

Next meeting schedule for June 21st at 8am in the council chambers.

Bill motioned to adjourn, with Peter seconded, vote passed to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:28 am.

Respectfully submitted
John Winslow