

Harbor Committee Minutes June 21, 2007

Meeting called to order at 8:02 am. At the 2nd floor conference room located at Falmouth Town Hall. Roll call had 6 members present with Manny being absent at this time and arriving during the meeting. Others in attendance were HM Kevin Cady and Council liaison Dave Libby. Public in attendance were Bill Brogan, Bill Sipperly and Chris Mcleod, all from Falmouth.

Chairperson Steve Archambault open the meeting with comments on Daltons Luncheon, Mr. Harner's letter that was responded to by 2 members of the Town Council and touched base with the consultants on work progress. Members of the committee expressed concerns over physical lack of presence from the consultants along with not knowing exactly what work has been accomplished. Steve responded that he would call the consultants and request a progress report be presented for the next meeting. It was noted that they were following the timeline of events and to be on the next meetings agenda.

#3 agenda item, minutes of 4-26-07 and 5-17-2007 meeting be reviewed for approval. Jay motioned for approval with a second from Bill, All voting yea for approval.

#4 agenda item , Public Comment: Bill Brogan and Chris Mcleod present seeking information on the steps necessary to establish a Launch at the Town Landing for the 08 season. Several comments were made by committee members on direction. Until the time of the Final Report from the Consultant it, the Committee decided it will have a better understanding of a formal proposal in regards to Launch Service. Bill Sipperly then spoke. He expressed concerns of being denied access at Town Landing by not being able to leave a dinghy at the Landing and was not informed of the new process. Dave Libby, Steve and HM Kevin Cady addressed his concerns.

#5 agenda item, Harbor Masters report by Kevin along with Hand-out Report. Highlights; 1264 permits issued, 29 still delinquent. 2 new 10' x 20' floats installed. Two Park Rangers working out well along with collecting fees and assisting the Public.

Pete asked if A breakdown of fees collected by the Rangers could be tracked.

Kevin reported that a mock Heart Attack situation on Cladboard Island had been conducted in conjunction with Falmouth EMS, Portland Coast Guard and Life Flight based out of Lewiston. It was noted that Life Flights response time to location was quicker than by boat.

#6 agenda item Unfinished Business ; Aqua Culture project by Mark Green appears to be beached at this time. Winter safety ladder has been given to Town Attorney for review. Launch service discussed and awaiting Consultant Report. Discussion on Ordinance review. Jay suggested a workshop meeting. Workshop meeting agreed later during meeting to be July 10th 5:15pm @ the Foreside Fire Station.

Unlisted Items; Mooring Winterization. The committee discussed the need to establish uniformity on the process used to winterize mooring ground tackle. John moved a motion that Kevin , Manny , and Jay establish a definition on acceptable winterization process for mooring tackle. Bill second the motion and the vote was all in favor.

#7 New business; Children 12 and under to wear a PFD on Town owned Pier, floats and gangways. Richie brings this Item before the committee and Steve asked him to comment on this issue. Richie commented this is a safety and common sense issue. After much discussion amongst the committee a vote was taken after Richie's motion on all children under 12 must wear a PFD on Pier, Gangways and Floats. Bill seconded motion, Fail to pass 2 for, 5 against

Review of consultants timeline, this was discussed earlier and agreed by the committee to revisit after next meeting and hearing an update from consultants.

John opened discussion on creating guidelines for Lobster Rafts after seeing the numbers of Rafts Increase. Discussion from the committee followed. Pete would like this issue be involved in the ordinance review process, committee agreed. Issue to be part of CWO review.

Workshop meeting scheduled for July 10th and to be held at the Foreside Fire Station at 5:15pm. Next Meeting schedule for July 19th @ 6:00 pm to be held at Falmouth Town Hall conference room.

Meeting moved to adjourned @ 9:54am by Jay and seconded by Bill.

Respectfully submitted ,
John Winslow