

HARBOR/WATERFRONT COMMITTEE MEETING
November 10, 2011 8:00 AM
Falmouth Police Department

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Richard Garrett, Jay Hallett, William Oliver, Peter Thornton, Emmanuel Kourinos, Richard Craven, Paul Dobbins, Harbormaster Alan Twombly, Assistant Harbormaster Kenneth Walberg, Kimmerly Maxfield-Fearon

Absent, Councilor Chase

I. CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

The summer went well. Regarding the storm preparation, most people think that the storm didn't hit inland but we were hit with a full fledged tropical storm. The town staff did a great job in preparations.

II. REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2011 MEETING

Jay Hallett made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2011 meeting, William Oliver seconded. It was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

IV. HARBORMASTER REPORT

Moorings:
1109

Wait List:
Resident 56
Non-Resident 45

Hurricane Irene:

The facility sustained no significant damage during Hurricane Irene. There was one broken pipe on the pumpout and a slit in the hose which Falmouth Wastewater was able to repair promptly after the storm.

Wanted to thank Manny and his crew for all his help with everything.

Floats

The dinghy float and end floats were hauled out the last week of October. As they were hauled out we had a float expert inspect each float for anything that needed to be repaired. When we receive the list, depending on the size of it, we will classify the repairs into categories of critical, non-critical, and have the work done over the winter while they are in the parking lot. Overall, the expert said they looked to be in pretty good shape for their age and there should be a lot of major things that need to be fixed, but considering the age they were in pretty good shape.

W. Oliver asked what the life expectancy for the floats and the harbormaster told him about 10 years, which is the approximate age of them.

Paul Dobbins asked if there was money being put aside for replacement of the floats when the time comes and was told yes.

The commercial floats will be removed the end of November or first part of December barring any major storms.

Wait List Ordinance

The new Wait List Ordinance has had its first read before the council and the second is scheduled for November 14th.

Brief discussion on the \$10 waiting list fee.

Any movement on parking issue? No

Richie Garrett asked about replacing the gangways. It was discovered that it would be very costly to replace them and that will not be done unless some serious damage is done.

Jay Hallett asked if the Harbormaster would break down the list of moorings by access. Discussion on mooring access.

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V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ground Tackle Equipment for moorings. The committee is under an obligation to the army corps of engineers to look into the bungee type tackle.

Bill Oliver and Jay Hallett will research the issue and report back to the committee.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A Proposed Ordinance Change

William Oliver would like to define anchorage areas per ordinance. It was pointed out that some mooring holders do not want to move their moorings to

comply with their assigned access. There was discussion on people claiming to have mooring access via Handy Boat or Portland Yacht Club that are not members. He would like the areas defined and the moorings placed in the assigned areas. The yacht club is reducing the area they serve with their launch service.

Jay Hallett suggested that they do what Handy Boat did and just tell people that the launch service will serve a particular area.

The Harbormaster will plot out the moorings and attempt to move them into their proper areas. He will also compile a list of moorings that are serviced by Portland Yacht Club that are out of their area and let the club attempt to get them to move.

B. Dinghy Fleet

Does not like the smaller dinghies and wanted to know what others thought. His concern is when the dinghies are replaced what they will be replaced with.

At this time there are 2 missing (one of each). It was suggested that they get painted a fluorescent color. Harbormaster is fine with that as long as the proper paint can be found that will adhere to the plastic.

The Harbormaster is open to suggestions as to maintenance on the dinghies. He is willing to look into some alternative to the Walker Bays and the Pelicans. They each have their benefits and drawbacks.

Chairperson Garrett would like a little research done on this topic and re-addressed at the next meeting.

C. Election of Officers

Paul Dobbins, Manny Kourinos, Jay Hallett, William Oliver and Peter Thornton were not available for chair or vice chair.

William Oliver nominated Richard Garrett for chair; Richard Craven seconded it, unanimously voted for Richard Garrett for chairperson of the Harbor/Waterfront Committee.

Richard Garrett nominated Richard Craven for vice chair, William Oliver seconded it, unanimously voted for Richard Craven for vice-chairperson of the Harbor/Waterfront Committee.

VII. CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Harbor/Waterfront Committee is scheduled for February 9, 2012 at 8:30 AM.

ADJOURN

Jay Hallett made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Paul Dobbins seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Kimmerly Maxfield-Fearon on 6/15/11.