

# Hull Harbor Management Committee

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## Meeting Minutes for January 09, 2006

### **In Attendance:**

Myron Smith, Chairman; Jay Fleck, Clerk; Sally Chisholm, Peter Mahoney, Bill McKeon, Andy Spinale, Members

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. in the Selectman's Meeting Room of Hull Town Hall on January 09, 2006 by Chairman Myron Smith. Chairman Smith welcomed Andy Spinale to the HHMC.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Fuel Depot Breakwater**

Mr. Mahoney reported that he met with the Executive Officer of the Coast Guard Station at Point Allerton regarding the breakwater they built to protect their boathouse. Mr. Mahoney briefed him on what the town was looking to do and about the HHMC's feel for the need of a large breakwater. The Executive Officer told Mr. Mahoney that the Coast Guard was not pleased with the breakwater structure they built. In particular they were concerned with the problem of ice flow last winter. The Executive Officer suggested that a letter from the Town of Hull describing the breakwater proposal would be helpful in gaining support from the federal government.

Mr. Mahoney and Mr. Ray would work together to plot the location of the proposed breakwater on to a chart. In addition, at a meeting of the Boston Harbor Lobsterman's Association Mr. Mahoney would mention the possibility of dumping stone from prior pipeline project into Hull Bay as the start of a breakwater.

#### **Boat Ramp**

It was noted that Harbormaster Kurt Bornheim could request the Public Access Board to look into funding a boat launch ramp in Hull. The HHMC decided to invite Jack Sheppard of the Public Access Board to our meeting on February 27, 2006 to discuss the proposed sight. Mr. McKeon would speak with Mr. Sheppard and invite him to the meeting. The HHMC also discussed notifying the Hull Yacht Club and Nantasket Beach Saltwater Club regarding the proposed ramp as it would impact both clubs.

#### **Dredging**

Town Manager Chris McCabe must sign the paperwork to commit the town's portion of the funds to the project. The amount is approximately \$50,000 but there is no timetable as to when the town's portion would need to be paid. The commitment would

allow the engineering to be started. Mr. Spinale will be meeting with the Mr. McCabe and will update the HHMC at the next meeting. Chairman Smith mentioned that the Hull Planning Board will also be pushing the Town Manager to sign the documents.

#### **Harbor Master**

At the next meeting the HHMC will ask the Harbormaster to report on what he has for a budget and boats and other miscellaneous items within his department.

#### **New Business:**

##### **Tourism Packets**

Ms. Chisholm showed the HHMC tourism packets that are provided by other towns. The packets contain maps, brochures, and activity lists for the local areas. In some harbors the packets are passed out by the Harbormaster when transient boaters check in. It was discussed where these packets could be passed out to tourists if they were developed for Hull. Mr. Chisholm would speak with the Chamber of Commerce to see if they are interested in becoming involved in a project like this. Also it was discussed of contacting the cruiser guide publications to provide updated information on what services and attractions Hull has to offer. The focus was on improving tourism in Hull.

##### **Harbor Management Plan review**

Mr. Spinale brought up the point that the HHMC should go through the approved plan and see which of the goals had been accomplished and what still needs to be addressed. In addition the HHMC should see what new items should be added to a list of to do items. The HHMC should come up with a list of priorities to present to the Board of Selectman as issues we need to address. The Harbormaster will be consulted as he is very familiar with the plan and what items were completed and what still needs to be completed.

##### **Mooring List:**

There currently is not a waiting list for a mooring in Hull like there is in many other communities. However, Allerton Harbor is filled and new mooring fields are spreading further and further from the public and private piers. The HHMC discussed developing a mooring plan or policy to help assist the Harbormaster in case a waiting list is needed in the future. Also, it was discussed about starting a list for boaters that want to move their moorings closer to the piers as space becomes available.

#### **Adjournment:**

Mr. Mahoney made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Mr. McKeon. A unanimous vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.