

Selectmen's meeting 9 June 2014

Call to order 6:00 pm by Chair Katharine Thurston.

Roll Call: Select Board Members Christopher Eaton, Dean Wass, Stewart Murphy, Robert Lee III, Harbor Master Greg Dow, Town Manager Carl Young, members of the Harbor Committee, Mike Ryan, Mel Atherton, Jon Crossman, Spencer Ervin.

Motion by Christopher Eaton, to adjust agenda as recommended by Chair Katharine Thurston, second by Robert Lee III

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

Motion by Christopher Eaton, second by Robert Lee III, to approve the June 2nd, 2014 Selectmen's minutes.

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

Seal Cove Fish way:

Mr. Reed was not in attendance.

7C 2014-2015 Mooring placements in Bass Harbor.

Stewart Murphy spoke about the need to wait in order to get ready and get it right.

Mel Atherton spoke as a member of the Harbor Committee and spoke about the missing of deadlines listed in the harbor ordinance.

Mike Ryan spoke about what took place at the Harbor Committee meeting on the 29th and expressed his concern about the process and that the Selectmen may be over ruling the Harbor Committee.

Stewart Murphy spoke about his concerns regarding the placement of temporary moorings, no appeals process, no channel, and no clear float ownership determination. Stewart is not in favor of installing moorings this year.

Dean Wass agreed with Stewart Murphy and expressed his concern regarding the temporary placement of moorings and the problems that might cause.

Mel Atherton spoke about the Ordinance allowing the Harbor Master to place temporary and permanent moorings.

Robert Lee III asked why this list existed and why did the moorings not get put in on time?

Mel Atherton explained that each time a Harbor Master is changed the list gets lost.

Katharine Thurston spoke about the need to guard the list and keep copies backed up.

Jon Crossman spoke also about the changes in lists and the fact that at one point a new list of individuals wanting floats was presented to the harbor Committee.

Jon Crossman indicated that he was not in favor of issuing any float permits at this time.

Mel Atherton explained the problems with issuing permits for floats at this time.

Spencer Ervin & Mike Ryan spoke about the Corps concerns and regulations concerning floats.

Greg Dow asked what Robert Lee III thought about owing and using his float? Robert indicated that he would prefer to have his old location back with a single point mooring but can look at the future.

Greg Dow explained the list he was given in June last year. There was a list of individuals who were on a “float list”

Mike explained how the list is managed.

Dean Wass spoke about the changes in the waiting list throughout the past year and the importance of going in order on the waiting list and granting the individuals the moorings they request. Jon Crossman agreed with Dean Wass concerning the waiting list.

Mike Ryan spoke about a Harbor Plan and what the Corps is expecting.

Stewart Murphy spoke about the information in the DRAFT Harbor Ordinance.

Mel Atherton spoke about how far the Harbor Committee has come in working with the waiting list and how the federal Government has impacted the use of the harbor.

Mel Atherton spoke about the Wharf Ordinance and the parking regulations and his wish that no parking signs be placed at the Closson lot.

The Town Manager indicated that the available signs have been placed. He asked for guidance about what to put on the signs? **NO OVERNIGHT PARKING AT THIS FACILITY.**

The Town Manager stated that it is his understanding the Select Board may amend the Traffic (Parking) Ordinance without Town Meeting approval.

Robert Lee III Spoke about the need to work on parking regulations and who might be able to use them.

Jon Crossman asked what the Harbor Committee should do at the next meeting? Issue moorings or not.

Dean Wass is in favor of not issuing moorings this year.

Much discussion about the Harbor Master’s powers and duties.

The Ordinance language in the Harbor Ordinance was discussed and the definitions.

The meaning of “temporary” was reviewed.

Greg Dow indicated that he works for the Select Board and Harbor Committee and would follow their direction and that his understanding was that the mooring belongs to the Town and that the Harbor Master may place boats on another persons mooring.

The authority of the Harbor Master and the use of vacant moorings was discussed.

Stewart Murphy spoke about the use of vacant moorings.

Robert Lee III spoke about the importance of following the Ordinance.

Katharine Thurston reviewed the minutes of the last meeting concerning the discussion about not placing new moorings at this time.

Jon Crossman spoke about the meaning of “temporary”

Christopher Eaton is concerned about putting new moorings in without having the channel defined.

7B. Motion by Robert Lee III, to sign the Selectmen’s Policy Regarding Check Disbursement Prior to Expenditure Warrant approval, second by Christopher Eaton,

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

7E. review Personnel Policys and Job Descriptions.

Personnel Policy Dean asked about hiring of employees.

Advertize part time positions when open. Place add.

Town Manager Job description

Supervisor Dean has question?