

**Regulations Review Committee**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room City Hall 9 Dale Avenue**  
**Gloucester, MA 01930**  
**April 8, 2014**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Tony Gross, Ralph Pino, Cate Banks

**Also Present:** Kyle Grant

Chairperson Banks opened the meeting at 3:06 P.M.

**Item One: Article IV Section 10 Designated Mooring areas**

**B. Limited Access Mooring Areas – discuss potential designation for Eastern Point Mooring Field**

The committee reviewed a mooring grid plan that was provided by Kyle Grant from the Eastern Point Yacht Club. The current number of moorings is 109 and they are arranged in a grid pattern with approximately 100 feet between moorings. Mr. Grant described the boundaries of the mooring field and the fact that GPS coordinates can be fixed if needed.

Ralph Pino provided draft proposed language to be included in the Policies, Rules and Regulations of the Waterways Board. A discussion followed about the appropriateness of referring to the mooring area as being limited access considering that the mooring fields that abut it are not. Cate Banks expressed her opinion that if this mooring field is to be limited to members of the yacht club then the regulation governing it should be in the same section of the regulations as the mooring trawls used exclusively by another Yacht Club in Gloucester. Ralph pointed out that the limited access language is consistent with an opinion provided by the Legal Department of the City of Gloucester to the Waterways board.

On a **motion** by Ralph Pino with a second by Tony Gross it was voted two in favor one against (Cate Banks) to recommend to the full board that the following language be included in the Regulations.

SECTION 10: Designated Mooring Area

C. Eastern Point Yacht Club Area:

The use of moorings in this area [area shown on Exhibit referenced herein ] shall be limited to members of the Eastern Point Yacht Club. The assignment of moorings in this area and maintenance of any waiting list shall be done by the Harbor Master. Eastern Point Yacht Club shall be responsible for the physical maintenance of the moorings. The reason for identifying this area as a limited access area is two-fold: (1) access to this area other than from the yacht club often is a hazardous voyage in a dinghy; (2) the yacht club has exclusively used this area since at least 1954, provides a valuable public service of providing transient boaters to use open moorings on non-discriminating basis, and provides a junior sailing program and other sail programs for Gloucester youth. The maintenance of this area, as a limited access area, is conditioned upon the Eastern Point Yacht Club continuing to provide reasonable access to transient boaters, without discrimination, to open moorings, subject to such boater's compliance to reasonable regulations, safety, availability, and notice. Five moorings in this field will be designated transient moorings.

**April 8, 2014**

**Regulations Review Committee**  
**MINUTES Cont.**

**Item Two: Prioritize any other Policies, Rules and Regulation issues that need to be discussed at future meetings** None at this time.

**Item Seven: Continuing and unanticipated business** None

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cate Banks

**April 8, 2014**

**Regulations Review Committee**  
**MINUTES Cont.**

Proposed boundary coordinates for Eastern Point Yacht Club mooring field

G1  
42-34.951            70-40.221

G11  
42-35.163            70-40.091

B11  
42-35.114            70-39.955

A7  
42-35.021            70-39.988

Dockside Mushroom  
42-34.930            70-39.882

Breakwater Mushroom  
42-34.858            70-39.936