

MINUTES

**Waterways Board
3rd Floor Conference Room City Hall
Gloucester, MA 01930
June 3, 2014**

Present: Anthony Gross, Patti Page, Ralph Pino, Jim Bordinaro, Mark Lacey, Bob Gillis, Karen Tibbetts, Steve LeBlanc

Also Present: Cate Banks, Ad Hoc Member of Regulations Review Subcommittee, Ed Boynton, Suzanne Altenburger, Dave Dow, Ambie Scola

Chairman Pino opened the meeting at 7 p.m.

Chairman Pino announced that the Public Hearing on the Southeast Harbor mooring increases was to be continued until tonight will not be held since the Fisheries Commission has not meet to discuss the increases.

Oral Communications: Suzanne Altenberger presented copies from U.S. Naval Institute to Board members noting the article on the last page about the landing craft design by Ms. Altenbuger.

Approval of Minutes: On a motion of Anthony Gross, second by Mark Lacey the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of the May 20, 2014 with the following corrections:

Page 1, Public Hearing-Increased Moorings in Southeast Harbor: 2nd line: replace 100% with 10%

Page 4, Continuing and Unanticipated Business, 1st sentence: replace Senator with Congressman

Ed Boynton, S/V Sugarbabe Mooring: Ed complimented the launch service, suggesting extending the season, if only week-ends, up to the mid October. He continued speaking of his program and how it worked, noting 75% is used for the program.

>**Motion:** On a motion of Patti Page, second by Jim Bordinaro the Board voted unanimously to approve the use of a municipal mooring for Ed Boynton's disabled sailing program for another year with the same conditions; 75% program use, 25% personal use. **Motion passed**

Status Eco Moorings: Jim Caulkett reported on the application form sent to all permittees having moorings in the eel grass areas. The applications are slow in being return, but he feels it will pick up. Two of the companies are working with various mooring holders in the Raymond's Beach area and the Hodgkins Cove /Diamond Cove area.

Harbor Plan Update: Bob Gillis has nothing new to report.

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Transient Moorings: Jim Caulkett reported that the weather has slowed the placement of the two transient moorings at Stage Head. They will be in shortly, weather permitting. The chains in Southeast Harbor chain did not last as expected; therefore, more chain will be ordered to replace these.

Ambie Scola came to speak on the list for dockage at St. Peter's Marina. He presented 4 lists with the same person as number 1, has refused all available slips and still remains as number 1. He suggested if the number 1 person on the list doesn't want St. Peter's Marina he should be placed on the bottom of the list or his name taken off.

Discussion - Mooring Wait List Protocol: Chairman Pino reported on the ideas discussed at the Regulations Review Committee in regards to the number of lists that a person could choose, length of time to respond to the notice of a mooring available, and how many times a person could stay on the list when not responding to the notice, and other ideas discussed. Jim Bordinaro commented on the people being on several or all lists. Mark Lacey stated phone calls should be made besides a certified letter. He feels something should be done to shorten the list. Anthony Gross stated to look at the certain amount of refusals; three refusals and drop to the bottom of the list. Patti Page agrees something needs to be done. Discussion continued. Chairman Pino, per Jim Bordinaro's suggestion, request committee members e-mail the Harbormaster with suggestions on how to fix the Wait List and the Commercial Marinas as well. This will be given to Regulations Review before the next Waterways Board meeting.

Harbormaster Report: Jim reported on the meeting held on May 28th on the proposed increase of moorings in South East Harbor with several members of the Fisheries Commission, Chairman Pino, and Vice-Chairman Gross. Funding for the Security Lights at Dun Fudgin is being released from the Seaport Council. This project will be managed through the Harbormaster's Office with assistance from the Fishing and Boating Access Board. The adjustments in the FY2015 budget were discussed. Jim received information about an article stating the Corps of Engineers need to have a count of commercial vessels and recreational vessels when considering dredging.

Subcommittee Reports:

Public Facilities: No report

Operations & Finance: No report

Regulations Review: No report

Future Meetings: Waterways Board next meeting July 1st. All agreed to start future Waterways Board meetings 6 p.m.

Continuing and unanticipated business: The slides of Public Landing information received from Dale Pope will be given to the Archives Committee.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 7.55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley M. Edmonds

