

MINUTES

**Waterways Board
3rd Floor Conference Room City Hall
Gloucester, MA 01930
September 1, 2015**

Present: Anthony Gross, Ralph Pino, David McCauley, Patti Page, Jim Bordinaro, Vito Calomo, Jim Caulkett
Also Present: Cate Banks, David Brooks

Chairman Gross opened the meeting at 6 p.m.

Oral Communications: None

Approval of Minutes: On a motion of Dave McCauley, second by Jim Bordinaro, the Board voted unanimously to accept the WWB minutes of August 4 and Public Facilities Committee minutes of August 25.
Motion passed

Rosemarie Trefry: Board members discussed Ms. Trefry's failure to respond, after several ways of trying to reach her, to contact the Harbormaster regarding boat insurance. No paperwork on the insurance has been supplied as per the request at the August 4th WWB meeting.

Motion: On a motion of Jim Bordinaro, second by Ralph Pino the Board voted unanimously to revoke Ms. Trefry from the slip at Harbor Cove Commercial Docks. **Motion passed**

David Brooks: Mr. Brooks gave a presentation of the GOSEA (Gloucester Ocean Service Education Association) program he is involved with. This program is for participation in the harbor, skills related to boating and fishing, noting they have 2 boats, 1 operating and the other as a back-up. He is presently out of East Gloucester Marina, trying to find a long term home. He spoke of working on the process for serving the needs of the community. Discussion followed.

Proposed Moratorium on Mooring Swaps: Lengthy discussion centered on several mooring holders requesting mooring swaps and correspondence from Cate Banks, David Spencer and Sargent Goodchild about the proposed mooring swaps in Lobster Cove. All agreed Article 4 Section E2 needs to be reviewed.

Motion: On a motion of Ralph Pino, second by Jim Bordinaro the Board voted unanimously to place a moratorium on all mooring swaps until the mooring inventories are completed. **Motion passed**

Amendment to Motion: Board members agreed to the following amendment: A moratorium on Article 4 Section E2, Mooring Swap until satisfactory completion of mooring inventory and not to exceed 12 months.

Motion passed

Mark Vidal's Mooring Applications: Members discussed Mr. Vidal's application for a mooring at Plum Cove; concerns and e-mails from neighbors were reviewed.

Motion: On a motion of Ralph Pino, second by Vito Calomo the Board agreed unanimously to postpone this application until a site visit is scheduled. **Motion passed**

Mr. Previte's Mooring Application: Member discussed Mr. Previte's application for a mooring in Ipswich Bay, noting the same concerns and e-mails from neighbors as Mr. Vidal's.

Motion: On a motion of Ralph Pino, second by Vito Calomo the Board voted unanimously to postpone its application until a site visit is scheduled.

Harbormaster Report: Jim reported on he and his assistants attending an Environmental Compliance Promotion Workshop, Clean Water Act Guidance at Maritime Gloucester on August 13. Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Pino and Jim met with Dave Smith, GZA Geo Environmental, Inc. to discuss the Pile Inspection Report conducted by GZA at St. Peter' Marina and Harbor Cove Commercial Docks. Board members received copies and the Building Inspector will receive a copy. Jim attended a meeting on August 24 held by Congressman Moulton to discuss issues and concerns of Harbormasters in his district. In attendance was Mayor Theken, CAO Jim Destino, Representative Ferrante, Barry Pett, representing Senator Tarr's office, also Harbormasters from Ipswich, Essex, Rockport, Salem and Marblehead. Congressman Moulton is planning on holding this meeting annually. Brayden Sheive, Project Manager, Charter, Inc., several sub-contractors and Jim met to discuss the arrival and staging locations of the various tugs and barges that will be utilized during the National Grid Remediation Project. Jim wanted the Regulations Review Committee is decide if dinghy docks are considered a mooring since only up to 5 mooring areas can be selected on the Wait List form.

Subcommittee Reports: Operations, Finance & Safety Committee: No Report

Public Facilities Committee: Members discussed the request from Annisquam Yacht Club to install a mooring trawl line between two existing moorings for three to four boats owned by the Yacht Club for use by their members. No action taken. No action on the request from Mr. Carollo and Mr. Balbo to swap moorings until after the mooring survey is completed. A motion was approved by committee members to recommend to the Board to approve Mr. Vidal's application for a mooring at Plum Cove subject to placement by the Harbormaster's Office. Mr. Lehman's brother was in attendance to answer any questions the committee may have. No action taken. The committee members all agreed to recommend to the Board to approve Mr. Previte's mooring application for Ipswich Bay subject to placement by the Harbormaster's Office. Approval by the committee of amendments to three mooring increases was presented to the Board for their approval. The Board members unanimously agreed to the amendments.

Operations, Finance & Safety: No report. Next meeting is in September.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley M. Edmonds

