

Public Facilities Committee

Gloucester Water Ways Board

1st Floor Conference Room , Harbormaster Office

Dec. 12, 2017

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 5PM.

A quorum of the Water Ways Board was in attendance. In addition to Public Facility Committee members Phil Cusamano, Jim Bordinaro and Mark Lacey, Water Ways Board members Tony Gross and Peter Yung were present. Also in attendance were Harbormaster TJ Ciarametaro and Deputy Harbormaster Chad Johnson. A motion was made by Jim Bordinaro to recommend to the full board acceptance of the following changes to Rules and Regulations ArticleIV Section 4 listed below. Second by Phil Cusamano. All were in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:25

Sincerely,

Mark Lacey

Section 4. Seasonal Tie-ups of Dinghies and Auxiliary Vessels

A. Authority "The Harbormaster may permit the seasonal tie-up of dinghies, tenders or other auxiliary vessels less than twelve (12) feet in length at portions of any Public Landing so designated by the Waterways Board, provided that the fee set forth below has been paid. Such permitted vessels shall be marked by an official sticker on their transoms." Gloucester Code Section 10-52(b)

B. Fees "The annual fee for the annual tie-up of dinghies, tenders or other auxiliary vessels less than twelve (12) feet in length shall be fifty (~~\$50.00~~) (\$100.00) dollars." Gloucester Code Section 10-52(f)

C. Designated Areas The Waterways Board hereby designates the following areas for the seasonal tie-up of dinghies, tenders or other auxiliary vessels less than twelve (12) feet in length. Cripple Cove Landing:
Magnolia Pier:
Lobster Cove Landing at the bridge:

The land ward side of the four southerly floats Both sides of the pier and the pier side of the float All sides of the float except the west side

The Public Facilities Committee and the Harbormaster shall arrange the installation of appropriate signs or markings to indicate the tie-up areas.

D. Cripple Cove Dinghy Dock Gloucester residents only as of June 7, 2000

E. Assignment

(1) Permit Renewal Boaters who tie-up vessels fitting the description above at the areas described above shall have their permits renewed on an annual basis provided they pay the required fee and follow the rules set forth herein. Permits are to be renewed with the Harbormaster by the last business day of February each year. Permit decals are to be affixed to the inside of the starboard transom of the dinghy.

(2) Wait Lists Applicants will be placed on a waiting list by location preferred, in order of receipt. The Harbormaster shall keep the waiting lists updated and shall post them publicly at the Harbormaster's Office and at the City Clerk's Office. Applicants being granted a dinghy tie up permit will have one month from the time of notification of the position to place a vessel in the permitted space. Provided, however, that the permit fee has been paid at the time of acceptance of the space.

(3) Transfer of Dinghy Tie-Up Permit Permits are for an individual and shall not be leased or otherwise assigned to others. Permits for dinghies used as access to a vessel on a permitted mooring in the City of Gloucester may only be passed to the same immediate family member, defined and limited to permittee's parents, spouse or child, as the corresponding mooring permit that is being transferred. Proper ownership documentation must be supplied.

(4) Habitual Use It is the policy of the Gloucester Waterways Board that all dinghy tie up spots be utilized as fully as possible. Dinghy tie-up permittees must habitually tie the dinghy which is on record with the Harbormaster to their assigned tie-up location during the summer season, April 15 to October 15, *September 15 Magnolia Pier*, each year. For the purpose of these regulations, habitual use is defined as a minimum of thirty (30) days during the summer season. The Harbormaster must be notified in writing, as soon as possible, if a permittee does not intend to habitually use their dinghy tie-up spot for the upcoming season and the reasons therefore. The period of nonuse of a tie-up spot by a permittee shall not exceed one (1) permit-year. Failure to comply with the habitual use standard set forth above or allowing the habitual use of a tie-up spot by a dinghy not on record with the Harbormaster shall result in automatic revocation of the Tie-Up Permit.

F. Tie-up Rules

- (1) All boats excise taxes owed by the applicant shall be paid in full;
- (2) Vessels are to be tied with a line from the bow only unless otherwise directed by the Harbormaster;
- (3) Vessels are to be well maintained and in a seaworthy condition to the satisfaction of the Harbormaster;
- (4) Vessels shall not block or hinder other vessels at the facility;

- (5) No debris, trash or other items shall be left on the floats or gangway;
- (6) Tie-up of vessels at a Public Landing is at the owner's risk. The City assumes no responsibility for theft or vandalism; and
- (7) All vessels shall be removed from Public Floats *at Cripple Cove and Lobster Cove* by November 1 *and Magnolia Pier by September 15* unless otherwise authorized by the Harbormaster. *Any vessels left beyond the September 15 and November 1 deadlines shall be assessed \$25.00 per day, and permits may be revoked for noncompliance.*

G. New Public Dinghy Tie-Up Facilities

In the event that additional dinghy tie-up spaces become available due to the construction of new Public Landing Facilities, the Harbormaster shall advertise the availability for one week in the local newspaper and shall take names and other pertinent information of those who express interest in a spot for two weeks. At the end of the two week period the Harbormaster shall publicly draw the names of those who will be permitted to tie-up at the designated sites. The remaining names shall be drawn to establish a waiting list for available spots which shall then be governed by section E. (2) above.