

MINUTES
Waterways Board
Harbormaster's Office
19 Harbor Loop
Gloucester, MA 01930
March 6, 2018

Present: Harbormaster Thomas Ciarametaro (HM), Deputy Harbormaster Chad Johnson, Peter Yung, Jim Bordinaro, Mark Lacey, Karen Tibbetts. Russ Sherman, Steve LeBlanc (City Council) and Phil Cusumano

Guests: Cate Banks

Recording Secretary: Robin McQueen

Oral Communications: None.

Approval of 2/6/18 Minutes: Approved.

Report on 3/2 – 3/3/2018 Nor'easter: HM Ciarametaro reported that Magnolia pier is now a skeleton structure due to recent storm damage. Governor Baker visited Gloucester and is pushing for Federal funding for \$1 million in damage funding. Will work out total in April. This area is not on public property and cannot bypass procurement law. An example of this is MIT building housing on such an area.

Harbormaster Report: HM Ciarametaro reported that \$20,000 came in, all passed at City Council. HM office has been served notice and awaits DPW inspection of current building. There are issues with premature concrete pitting and cracks. \$4,000 rent payment for current HM office to begin 4/1/18.

An engineer will be coming next week to inspect docks. Options are to extend pilings or remove floats each year. May 1st new docks will be put in.

Update on piling dilemma. Electric cathartic protection \$600,000 system to be put in to protect pilings. This will last 40 years. \$1,500 to maintain coating every 5 years. \$50,000 every 5 years to maintain float system with hook alligator clips to all boats. Budget every 7 years; \$6,000 retained every year to recoat and stabilize. In addition custom staging cost: \$1,000 needs to be budgeted for Chairman Gross and HM Ciarametaro will be meeting to review budget.

Landings were destroyed at Lanes Cove. In addition, 1 set of floats were destroyed. Decision to be made to either extend piling or remove floats each year. An engineer will be coming in the next few weeks. New docks to be put in by May 1st.

Chapter 91, \$13,000 donation came in. One time payment before license is issued. House dock and wharf. No Chapter 91.

Budget fee restructuring. Buy into DOCKWA's elevated \$4,000 year fee restructuring. This will provide text alerts and many other benefits.

\$43,260 in revenue last year. This is a 115% increase with 700 boats. 50/50 power/sail boats. HM reported that there is AC current in the Gloucester Harbor.

There is a transformer in the back room which is the size of 2 refrigerators.

City Council approval of fee adjustments: All passed at City Council for fee increase for mooring and dinghies.

Report on railroad bridge detail: Cables removed from RR bridge. This will not impede Fall/Summer 2019 traffic.

Discussion items that were not reasonably anticipated by the Chairperson, in accordance with M.G.L., Ch. 30A, Sec. 18-25. None.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned @ 1835: Russ Sherman made a motion to adjourn and Mark Lacey seconded this motion. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin McQueen
Waterways Board Recording Secretary