

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

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

Absent: Chairman Anthony Gross

Guests: Rich Hersey, Joe Boreland and Cate Banks

Recording Secretary: Robin McQueen

Liam O'Connell (filling in for Chairman Anthony Gross) opened the meeting at 18:00.

Oral Communications: Rich Hersey of the Gloucester Harbor Community Development Corporation brought a hurricane barrier proposal to the WW Board this evening. Jim Bordinaro proposed a motion to send this information to Public Facilities as this board cannot vote what is not on this evening's agenda. Phil Cusumano seconded this motion. All in favor.

Approval of 12/4/17 and 1/2/18 Minutes: Deferred to next WW Board Meeting (3/6/18).

Harbormaster Report: The HM reported that the Mayor's administration (with a new community development director) plan to move forward to obtain grant for 1.5 million to build new Harbor Master office and Visitor Center. Another million needs to be secured; perhaps through the Sea Board Economic Committee. More meetings to follow (WW Board, City Council and Public Hearing).

Mooring renewal permits are being issued. By the end of the month, 120 will be off the wait list with 400 remaining. Late fees are to be paid by the end of this month.

Request of retained earnings \$3,000 for Police/Fire coded radios for Harbormaster Department: Due to the antiquated communication system currently being used by the Harbormaster Department, it is requested that retained earnings of \$3,000 be used for the above coded radios which will link this department with both the fire and police departments. Jim Bordinaro made a motion to accept the above, which was seconded by Phil Cusumano. All in favor.

Request of Retained Earnings \$8,000 Emergency repairs to Harbormaster boat: The boat currently in use is 25 y/o cabin boat that was recently soda blasted. There is now delamination of the hull. Total cost to repair is \$12,000 of which the Fire Department will incur the cost of \$4,000. Jim Bordinaro made a motion to move forward with request of retained earnings of \$8,000 emergency repairs to the current Harbormaster boat. Phil Yung seconded this motion. All in favor.

Request of Retained Earnings \$5,000 one time, supplemental temporary salaries: Phil Cusamano made a motion to request retained earnings of \$5,000, supplemental temporary salaries for unbudgeted repairs due to weather, age and damage. Mark Lacey seconded. All in favor.

Discussion items that were not reasonably anticipated by the Chairperson, in accordance with M.G.L., 30A, Sec. 18-25: Karen Tibbetts reported that Senator Tarr is working with the Mass Trade Association to bring boat trade technician training to the Education Department at Massachusetts High Schools. Gloucester High has a program already in place and space is available there to house this training. This opportunity will go before the City Council.

Adjourn: At 18:30 on a motion made by Jim Bordinaro to conclude meeting. Seconded by Phil Cusumano.
All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin McQueen
Waterways Board Recording Secretary