

MINUTES
Waterways Board
Harbormaster's Office
19 Harbor Loop
Gloucester, MA 01930
May 1, 2018

Present: Tony Gross, Harbormaster Thomas Ciarametaro (HM), 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 4/2/18 Minutes: Approved.

Upcoming Season's Readiness: HM reported that there has been fiberglass work on the boat, 3 launch operators have been hired. As of 5/15/18, 2 assistant harbormasters have been hired as well as 11 deputy harbormasters. Some may not come back next year, but open positions will be easily filled. In addition, cross training of duties is underway. Additional work is needed on buoys, transient moorings and public landings. We are now DOCKWA reservation ready. This has been accomplished during the month of April. HM spoke with Mooringinfo and the kickoff is 7/1/18 with the new budget. Anticipated issues such as cleaning, signage and other problems have been addressed.

Harbormaster Report: HM reported that the City's administration is working with the Magnolia Pier Advisory Group to come up with a solution to the storm destruction of the Magnolia pier. As of now, permits will stay as they are. GZA Engineering will review and render a professional opinion to the City and the Magnolia Advisory Group (MAG) of their findings. FEMA aid might be a possibility. Two thirds of the pier is missing. Permits will stay as they are and parties have been notified that if pier is not available this year that they will not be charged. If pier is not rebuilt than paid fees will be returned.

The cathodic protection for the Solomon Jacobs float system is being installed with divers and welders for 2 weeks.

As of 4/1/18, the building at 19 Harbor Loop resumed being occupied and leased by the Gloucester, MA Harbormaster's office. Joe Bordinaro moved to accept HM report and Mark Lacey seconded this motion. All in favor.

Vote to create new, asset and facilities stabilization account in the amount of \$40,000. Joe Bordinaro moved to accept motion and Mark Lacey seconded.

Mooring Update: Sixty-six new moorings have been issued. Twenty-eight at SE Harbor and the rest throughout 15 mooring fields have changed hands either by being re-issued or newly issued. It will look like Salem Sound with 30 more this year. The launch will be very busy.

Customer service is great and people like to pay fees on line. HM office will maintain old and new systems for one year to insure that information will not be lost.

Tony, HM, Phil and Rich were in attendance for MVP study. These studies have been currently underway in our area to find solutions to move water out quickly before major flooding occurs. The town of Essex is having

one this week. These study reviews are needed to obtain grants. There were roundtable discussions regarding vulnerability and course of action, zoning height requirements and private property. The City has MVP status and with that they can apply for certain community development grants. This status is required to apply for aid.

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 @ 18:22. Jim Bordinaro made a motion to adjourn and Mark Lacey seconded this motion. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin McQueen
Waterways Board Recording Secretary