

MINUTES
Waterways Board
Kyrouz Auditorium City Hall
Gloucester, MA 01930
August 1, 2017

Present: Chairman Anthony Gross, Liam O'Connell, Harbormaster TJ Ciarametaro (HM), Deputy Harbormaster Chad Johnson, Jim Bordinaro, Karen Tibbets, Peter Yung

Absent: Russell Sherman, Mark Lasey, Phil Cusumano

Recording Secretary: Robin McQueen

Guests: Cate Banks (former board member), Dean Lavoie and Nate Cunningham, Annisquam Yacht Club (AYC), Lee Boreland

Chairman Gross opened the meeting at 18:00

Oral Communications:

None

Approval of June 6th and July 6th Minutes: Jim Bordinaro made a motion to accept June 6th and July 6th minutes. Peter Yung seconded this motion. All in favor.

Solomon Jacobs Float status update:

HM Ciarametaro reported that remaining floats will be installed by Sep/Oct. JMA 1, 2, 3, 4 & 7. Roll over and turtle are stable. \$80,000.

Nate Cunningham and Dean Lavoie (AYC) discussed diagram they presented to Board stating no loss of navigation, 10 vessels, and dinghy storage. Existing trawl, 7 boats, same length. Consistent channel. Yacht Club's nightmare to lose 2 spots.

Relocation of trawl lines. Wheelers no mooring or float. Jim to Dean: goes in, get boats on it. In spring, people will complain. 10A means what? – 2 years, MGL Chapter 91.

Building float. This is from the 1950's. 10 slips, square footage. Grant/deny – up to HM. Positive comments. Jim – Lanesville area, mapped out in existing float fairway or channel. Into Lobster Cove, well beyond trawl lines – fair. Lack of slips, 1–3 slips. HM – no issue. **Resolved.** Order up the floats. May have to arrange things as placing shoal sticks. Navigational changes, piece of float taken. Needs of access to Lobster Cove.

Harbormaster Moorings Status Update:

To capture new owners, which will increase revenue for the City, Harbormaster Ciarametaro discussed his PowerPoint presentation on the 2017 Private Mooring and 10A Float Permit Revenue Status as of 7/15/17 (see attached). As of this date, there are 35 overdue payments and 20 left. Homes of mooring permit holders have been sold and letters sent from HM's office have been "returned to sender". HM is working on a system to capture real estate dealings to track current mooring owners.

Harbormaster Report: HM Ciarametaro reported that it has been very busy of late. MGL Chapter 91 notice, channel width 3 times depth. 85'. 63 Rodgers Street, former Gloucester House. Which ? Commissioner will have an abutter that will turn this area into expansion for charter boats and tuna and lobster day trips for the Harbor Cove. This may affect Gigilanni, DBP level. HM has no comment on DBP unless he has concerns.

Mayor and City Council Redevelopment and Revitalization of Water Front: Tenants, water sheet, re-shifting docks. Chairman Gross had no comment except if there is an objection.

Memo from Mayor to Add Two Transient Moorings to Inner Harbor: Dockwhistle Program. 18 spots reserved for the City. Full colors required to check in/out. Six boats had to be turned away. This is \$6,000–\$8,000 loss in revenue. 30% up in revenue This past weekend, 2–3 boats without reservations wanted to come in.

Oliver Perry SE Harbor: Cape Ann Marina has an increase in recreational use and statistics show that there is a need for these. Launch now included. Transient mooring 980 hours at the end of season. \$2,000 The launch never stops at SE Harbor. There have been very favorable comments from boaters posting on highly-read Boating Blogs about Gloucester. We are finally coming into the 21st Century. Getting trash off is challenging. Two more transient moorings are needed. Motion from Liam O’Connell to accept, seconded by Peter Yung. All in favor.

Letter from Yankee Marine to Add Two Transient Moorings to SE Harbor: This letter read by Jim Bordinaro from Eric Bornhoff. Get info from HM re: Cripple Cove, 3 transient, Code 105, WW Board location 180’ off shore, latitude and longitude. Hill grass can be brought out up to 25 yards; can have space. HM to survey general area. Expanding beyond Aquifer? Total of 3 at his specification. One in the inner harbor. & 600.00 Motion from Jim Bordinaro, seconded by Peter Yung. All in favor.

Letter and In-Person Permission to add 93 ft 10A to AYC: AYC is complete. Lee Boreland, Nate Cunningham ordering Nepan/Sullivan in NY. 10A approval for float. . Nate stated that trawl lines will be put in. They have not yet been ordered.

New Ordinance to require all 10A Temp Float Permit Holders to Display Permit Number: There is a need to identify permit holders. Deputy Harbormaster Johnson drafted a decal. Wording for decal will be sent to Legal. It was suggested that these be placed starboard with numbers facing front channel side. This will be a \$10.00 yearly sticker.

\$10.00 Fee for Replacement of Lost Decals:

Much time has been lost by boaters losing decals. Details to be worked out regarding this.

HM to report to City Council with revenue items: A \$50.00 fine will be issued if decal is not on boat. Motion by Jim Bordinaro, seconded by Peter Yung. All in favor.

Continue of Referral to **OF&S the Investigation of Increasing the Dun Fudgin Ramp Fees to October:** Chairman Gross slotted this item to October’s agenda. There is a need to investigate dinghy dock fees. \$50.00 fee/year. 12’ dinghy This will be referred out and amnesty permitted to come into compliance. General Council can attach brand new fine. Advertise it, referred to Jim Bordinaro.

Refer Out and Come Up with Wording for One-Year Grace Period for all Non-Permitted 10A Floats to Come into Compliance or Face Fine of \$500.00 per year. Referred out to Legal.

Come up with Ordinance for a \$500.00 Fine to be Paid if Mooring Gear is Left in Water after it’s Revoked more than 45 days, plus an Additional \$10.00/day after the 45 days Maxed out at \$1,000.00:

Motion made by Jim Bordinaro to accept, seconded by Peter Yung. All in favor. Referred out to Finance and Safety Sub-Committees. The \$10.00/day will serve as a deterrent, up to \$1,000.00 maximum. If after 45 days, mooring left in, HM will remove and fine will be issued.

Harbormaster Appointment Conflicting with City Ordinance with MGL 102. Refer out to Legal. Motion made by Liam O’Connell, seconded by Peter Young

Deputy Harbormaster in conflict with MGL102 Discussion and Solution.

Refer out to Legal. Motion made by Liam O'Connell, seconded by Peter Young

Adjourn: At 19:15 on a motion by Jim Bordinaro, seconded by Liam O'Connell. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin McQueen
Waterways Board Recording Secretary