

Harbor Advisory Committee

Wednesday September 15, 2021

Online Meeting

MINUTES OF THE HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON September 15, 2021.

Members present: Carl Doane (Chair, CD), Steve Lauber (SL), Philip Leahey (PL),

Absent members: Dan Grey (DG), Dane Lane (DL), Chris Comb (CC)

Members of the public: Bion Pike (HM), Steve Maio, Erica Brown

All HAC meetings are recorded.

Call to Order: 5:35pm

Documents presented: September 15th 2021, HAC Agenda.

1. Approval of June 9, 2021 Minutes.

Motion to approve , PL, Second SL voted unanimously to approve

2. Public Comment

No comment.

3 Harbormaster Update

3.1 Tucks Point

Bids for the construction of the new docks/ramp at Tucks have been received. Four bidders, low bid is Prock Marine at \$652,000. All other bidders are over \$1,000,000. Low bidder is qualified to perform the work so will commence in March, finish by Memorial Day 2022.

3.2 Town Docks and Boats

Reed Park docks generated \$41,000 in dock rental revenue this year vs. \$28,000 in 2020. Staffing expenses were \$13,000. 68% occupancy rate despite inclement weather most of July.

HM boat (Eastern) is retired due to structural issues. A replacement boat (24' Eastern) has been ordered and will be available some time next Summer. In the meantime, the outboard engine, electronics and safety equipment will be transferred to the "Pump out" boat for use in early Summer 2022.

The orange (Police Boat) is being re-powered. The cost is \$45,000, 75% of which will be paid for by the Clean Vessel Act funding.

3.3 Harbor Capital Projects

Fisherman's facility, connecting Reed Park and Masco docks is under consideration. The cost is estimated at \$400,000, partially funded by the State Grant. If the Grant is approved, the Town will need to fund approx. \$90,000. Since this is a highly visible area, Public comment and taxpayer approval is vital. The HAC will designate time at the next meeting on October 13th for Public Comment.

Harbormaster truck needs replacing because existing truck is deteriorated and unusable. A replace truck, Mid-sized Ford Ranger is recommended, cost \$30,000.

A Garage for the Harbor Dept boats is proposed for winter storage of the 3 Department boats. A pre-engineered metal building to be installed at the Water Treatment plant on upper Pine Street is recommended, cost \$60,000.

3.4 Harbor Staffing

Additional staffing and training for the Harbor Dept is recommended. The increased total amount is approx. \$30,000 for training and staffing hours.

3.5 Bow and Stern floats for shallow water vessels

General discussion. No action taken.

4 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday October 13th. at 5:30pm.

5 Adjourn

Motion to adjourn CD Second SL. Motion passed.

Signed by Steve Lauber

Secretary of Harbor Advisory Committee.