

► **ROCKPORT HARBOR COMMITTEE**

Rockport Town Office

October 20, 2011

5:15 PM

MINUTES

Chairman Robert Tassi
Joel Powers
Mario Turi
Harbormaster Abbie Leonard

Vice-Chairman Doug Cole
Sharilyn Morton
Patrick Annis

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 by Chairman Tassi.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Mrs. Morton motioned to approve the minutes of July 28, 2011. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cole and passed unanimously.

2. RIPARIAN MOORING FOR DAVID AND DEBBIE DUNCANSON

- a. David and Debbie Duncanson utilized Dr. Turi's unused riparian mooring for the past summer season.
- b. Fox Island Cable previously installed a cable line that runs through Clam Cove to Vinalhaven. Clam Cove Harbor could sustain approximately 15 moorings. Brewster Point Subdivision would be eligible for some of the moorings.
- c. Dr. Cole asked if there is a designated area for recreational boats. This matter will be researched and placed on the next agenda for further discussion
- d. Dr. Cole motioned to approve the mooring for Mr. & Mrs. Duncanson at the Harbormaster's discretion. The motion was seconded by Dr. Turi and passed unanimously. The mooring will be located northwest of Dr. Turi's mooring near the Glen Cove rest area.

3. SHIP GRANT

- a. Ms. Leonard said the first set of plans for the Ship Grant has been forwarded to MDOT.
- b. The bid package for the pilings project consisted of 90 +/- pages. Prock Marine was the sole bidder at \$110,000. Only \$55,000 is available for the project.

The bid package requires each piling to be in a "socket" that would be sunk into the mud. Ms. Leonard, Steve Beveridge and Tom Ford (in a wet suit) investigated,

photographed the area and found all existing pilings were set directly into the mud.

- c. The Harbormaster separated the piling and float bids. Mr. Annis reported several broken pilings are currently located in his boat area and should be removed. Seven (7) pilings are replaced on an annual basis
- d. The second design for the harbor would remove the end float and reduce the number of pilings from 11 to 6.
- e. Gartley and Dorsky indicated the company has 15 hours, to date, in the rebidding process. Ms. Leonard will meet with Gartley and Dorsky on Friday. She will redo the bid proposals. An engineering seal of approval is needed on the final plans. Interested parties will be allowed to bid on individual sections or the complete plan.
- f. The DEP pays 95% of the fees for the Town of Camden's pump-out boat. The percentage will decrease if the Town of Rockport constructs a pump-out station.
- g. The electrician will be at Marine Park on Friday. The electrical work will be done this winter on a dedicated circuit and will be completed in the spring.

4. HARBORMASTER'S REPORT

- a. Mr. Tassi needs five (5) pilings replaced to anchor the Timberwind from crashing into the pier during winter storms. The Timberwind must have two (2) secure points connected to land or the insurance company will not cover any damage to the vessel. Pilings that have been "sheered off" will be replaced first. Mr. Tassi volunteered to cap the pilings.
- b. The Harbormaster will present a list of "needs" for the Harbor to the Budget Committee. The list may include: additional pilings, dinghy racks, a communal dolly, and lower racks for kayaks. Building maintenance could include: the refinishing of the outside door for the Harbormaster's Building and painting the gingerbread brackets which are beginning to rot.

The bathroom walls will be steam cleaned and resealed. Bath Fitter is coming next week to ascertain what could be done to make maintenance of the bathrooms easier. The capacity of the vent should be increased.

- c. Mr. Annis suggested removing the "arms" from the commercial float. A Reserve Account should be started for future replacement of the engine for the Harbormaster's boat.
- e. A mechanic at Port Harbor Marine informed Ms. Leonard of a steering cable issue with the Harbormaster's boat.
- f. The security cameras do not work properly. They will be repaired and linked to the Police Department.
- g. Ms. Leonard reported there has been a lot of thievery at harbor this past summer. A motor was stolen from Rockport Marine and Ms. Leonard lost a kayak.

h. The Town floats will be removed on October 26th.

5. NEXT MEETING

The next Harbor Committee meeting will be held on November 17, 2011 at 5:15 p.m. at the Rockport Town Office.

6. ADJOURN

Mr. Allen motioned to adjourn the Harbor Committee meeting at 6:28 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Powers and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melody V. Sainio
Recording Secretary