

ROCKPORT HARBOR COMMITTEE

Rockport Town Office

May 22, 2014

5:15 PM

MINUTES

Chairman Mario Turi
Sam Temple
Tim Hoffman
Harbormaster Abbie Leonard

Joel Powers
Peter van der Kieft

Public Works Director Mike Young

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- a. Dr. Turi opened the meeting at 5:18 p.m.

1. DISCUSS LOCATION FOR RECREATIONAL FISHING

- a. The Town of Rockport submitted a bid request for a bid to place pilings on the commercial side of the harbor. The only submitted bid (Prock Marine) was \$10,000 more than available funds. Using pressure treated wood instead of Green Heart would reduce the cost of the project. Mobilization fees would be spread out. Permits have not yet been obtained.
- b. The recreational float will be located on the fisherman's side of the harbor.

2. CHANGE OF WINTER STORAGE REMOVAL DATE

- a. Boat storage was discussed at length.
- b. Mr. van der Kieft motioned that boats not removed from the storage location shall be fined \$50 per day after a June 1st deadline. The motion was not seconded.
- c. Mr. van der Kieft motioned to change the deadline date for boat removal from storage to June 1st (the removal date is currently July 1st). The motion was seconded by Mr. Hoffman and passed 5-0.
- d. Mr. van der Kieft motioned that boats not removed by June 15th shall incur a fine of \$100 per day and will be subject to removal at the harbormaster's discretion. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hoffman and passed 5-0.

3. DISCUSSION OF DRAFT OF COMMERCIAL USE POLICY

- a. The Harbormaster is researching how neighboring harbors relate to commercial use. She is considering writing a policy and/or adding to the Coastal Waters Ordinance.
- b. Boats tied up for less than one (1) hour will not be regulated.
- c. The auxiliary commercial floats are not yet in the water. Once in, one (1) float will be designated as recreational for fishing and overflow commercial fishing.
- d. Proposed changes to the policy will be forwarded to the Ordinance Review Committee.
- e. Harbor Committee members will bring recommendations to the next meeting.
- f. Committee members asked to review the contract for "The Heron."

4. DISCUSSION OF TURNOVER OF RIPARIAN MOORING AT HARBOR VIEW CONDOMINIUMS

- a. The Harbormaster recommended tabling this matter.

5. HARBORMASTER'S REPORT

- a. Planner Bill Najpauer submitted 70 pages to the state for the electrical bid. The state sent additional pages that will be included in the grant. The bid package should be available soon.
- b. The flagpole has been installed at the corner of the Goose River and the Harbor.
- c. The July 5th event has been postponed for 2014

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. There are two (2) vacancies on the Harbor Committee. The Harbor Committee reviewed four (4) applications for the positions.
- b. Mr. Powers motioned to appoint Barbara Chapman as a member of the Harbor Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. van der Kieft and passed 4-1 with Mr. Temple voting against.
- c. Mr. Temple motioned to invite Brendan Riordan to the Harbor Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hoffman and passed 4-1 with Dr. Turi voting against.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Mr. Powers Motioned to approve the minutes of April 10, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. van der Kieft and passed 5-0.

8. NEXT MEETING

- a. The next regular Harbor Committee meeting will held on June 19, 2014.

9. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Mr. Powers motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. the motion was seconded by Mr. Temple and passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Melody Sainio
Recording Secretary