



Town of Barnstable

Waterways Committee

1189 Phinneys Lane, Centerville MA 02632

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Meeting Minutes

May 22, 2007

Chairman:
John Meade

Committee Members:
Michael Hersey
Frederick Komenda
Norman Wahl
Guile Wood

Council Liaison:
Frederick Chirigotis

In Attendance:

Members: John Meade, Michael Hersey, Frederick Komenda, Norman Wahl, Guile Wood
Staff: Eric Shufelt, Marina Manager, Joe Gibbs, Mooring Officer,

Mary McGaughey, Administrative Assistant

Council Liaison: Frederick Chirigotis

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman John Meade called the meeting to order at 7pm.

II. MINUTES:

Motion was approved to accept the minutes of May 8, 2007.

III. NOTICES OF INTENT (NOI):

None.

IV. MOORING APPEALS:

None.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

Marina Wait List Lottery Update –

Eric Shufelt, Marina Manager reported that the Town Manager has given his approval to continue the process for holding a lottery for the Barnstable Harbor, Bismore and Prince Cove Marinas to add 25 names to each waitlist. From May 14 until 4:15pm on June 14, 2007 applications will be accepted for the lottery. At 10am on June 15, 2007, the drawing will be held at Town Hall in the Main Conference Room. There will be 25 names drawn for each location which will be added in the order in which they were drawn to the already established wait lists. Each person drawn will be contacted to verify that they do in fact want to be on the wait list and at this point a first time fee will be due -Resident \$15, Non-Resident \$25. The fee will then be Residents \$5/ Non-Residents \$10 to remain on the waitlist annually.

John Meade asked Joe Gibbs if he had heard from Neil Andres of the Highway Department regarding notifying users of the Oyster Harbor Bridge of its condition. Joe reported that they are working on signage right now. No notices have gone out as yet.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Proposed Home/Recreation Show using Gateway Marina – Rusty Piersons, President and partner of Cape Cod Life Publications proposed having a Boat and Recreation Show including an ‘in the water show’ during Father’s Day weekend, June 14 and 15, 2008 - the same weekend at the Antique Car Show on Main Street Hyannis run by the Hyannis Chamber of Commerce. He proposed including the town slips in Hyannis Harbor (Gateway) along with Hy-Line and possibly Oyster Harbors for the ‘in the water portion’ of the show.

Eric Shufelt expressed concern on relocating slip holders since most of the contracted boats are usually in by that time. Things to look at would be how many vessels and the size and how many slips would be needed.

Norman Wahl asked if they would be having representation involving the Wind farm at the event. Rusty Piersons said that it would not be a political issue. Rusty Piersons emphasized that the event could not happen without the Town's support. The onus would be on them to provide relocation for the 2 days for the slipholders. This is in the preliminary stage to see what could possibly happen.

Eric Shufelt commented that with the recommendation of the Harbormaster and the Waterways Committee it would have to be approved by the Town Manager and Town Council. Ocean Street Dock will also be in the process of rebuilding around the same time – there could be a conflict with the end date of construction.

John Meade said that he thought it was a great idea and has the support and endorsement of the Waterways Committee – ultimately it would have to be approved by the Town Manager.

Lynne Poyant expressed concern about the rest room availability - completion date set for July 1, 2008.

Portables would have to be rented to support the number of people at the combined events.

2. Abandoned fishing boat at Bismore Park – Eric Shufelt reported that the Town has an order form US District Court of Mass. to go ahead with the auction at the US Marshal Auction on June 11, 2007 at Bismore Park, Hyannis. He has advertised in the Boston Globe, Town Website, New Bedford Standard Times and Commercial Fisheries out of Maine. Viewing will be available the morning of June 11, 2007 prior to the auction.

3. Temporary moratorium on new Lake Wequaquet moorings. Joe Gibbs asked the committee for support of putting a temporary moratorium on new moorings in Lake Wequaquet because he is trying to get those who already have a mooring in compliance with the Town of Barnstable Regulations. The Committee gave it's support to the request.

4. Marina change of vessel request. Eric Shufelt stated that Keith Lane, who has a vessel at Bismore Park- the Liberty – is being rebuilt and is requesting putting a smaller vessel in its place for this season. All paperwork is up to date on the other vessel. The Liberty will probably be going back into service next season. The Committee had No Objections.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE:

None

VIII. HARBORMASTER REPORT:

Eric Shufelt reported that he is continuing the issuing of slips from the waitlists. Marina's are in full operation. The parking plan for the North Side at Barnstable Harbor is working well.

Joe Gibbs reported that the speed zones for Hyannis/Lewis Bay are in effect. The buoys are out with the exception of 5 in the North side. All main channel markers are in but there are still some regulatory speed buoys to be put out. Buoys in Lake Wequaquet (14-15) will be going out in the next week or two. There are still 40-50 Mooring Permits still haven't renewed yet. There could be a few appeals for the next meeting.

Eric Shufelt stated that the Budget for the department was approved for the most part for the next fiscal year.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary McGaughey
Administrative Assistant

Next Meetings:
June 12, 2007 @8pm
June 26, 2007 @8pm