

Meeting Minutes
Harbor & Waterfront Committee, Harpswell, Maine
June 2, 2015

Attending:

Members: Present: Burr Taylor – Chair, Jane Jukes, Jack Dostie
Absent: Richard Moseley, Bill Saxton, Jon Rogers
Guest: Kevin Johnson, Selectman of Harpswell
Harbormaster: Jim Hays

Activities:

- o Meeting called to order at 5:34 pm
- o The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved.

Harbormaster Report:

- o Jim Hays presented the Committee with a report detailing his activities since our last meeting. Particular emphasis was placed on a mooring issue in Ash Cove.
- o Jim also presented the Committee with a copy of the Army Corp of Engineers (ACOE) mooring application form. The group reviewed the form and found it to be relatively simple and straightforward; the form (4345) is only three pages long and comes with a two-page instructional guide on how to interpret each question. It seemed that this form should not unduly burden any mooring applicant.
- o Jim Hays reported that he has posted mooring lists at several public locations throughout Harpswell in an effort to inform residents of which mooring are registered and to promote and encourage discussion on how identify unregistered moorings. The long-term plan is to have a more accurate list of all moorings which would result in shorter waiting list for closed harbors.
- o Jim Hays recently attended the Mitchell Field Committee meeting. Barney Baker, the engineer for the proposed boat launch, presented the results of the Boat Ramp Survey, which Jim shared with the H&W Committee. While the survey was informative, it was disappointing to see that less than 1% of the population of Harpswell actually participated.
- o Jim will bring a copy the H&W Ordinance to the next scheduled meeting.

New Business:

Committee Focus:

- o Burr Taylor led a discussion regarding the Committee's purpose and goals. It was determined that the Committee shall;
 - Assist the Harbormaster with the 2015 in-the-water mooring identification process,
 - Review the current H&W Ordinance and propose clarifying language about
 1. moored floats
 2. the proper marking of mooring balls

Next Meeting:

July 14, 2015 Tuesday @ 5:30 pm – Harpswell Town Office

Adjourned – 6:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Dostie