



**Town of Southwest Harbor  
Harbor Committee  
7/3/2023  
6:00pm**

**Attendance**

**Committee members:** Anne Napier, Nick Madeira, John Stanley, Donald Sullivan

**Excused Absences:** Ron Weiner, Corey Pettegrew, Mike Brzezowski

**Unexcused Absences:** None

**Harbor Master:** Jarod Kushla

**Public:** Billy Norwood

**Selectboard Liaison:** None

**I. Call to Order/Roll Call**

A. 6:05pm

**II. Visitors to be heard, not on the agenda.**

A. None

**III. Approval of Minute - 05-08-2023**

A. Approved- Motion :John, Second: Donnie (4-0)

**IV. Harbor Master office update**

A. Anne had designs and estimates from Hillside

B. Planning on delivery sometime in October after the busy season to be occupied before winter..

C. Waiting for next step instructions from Marilyn.

**V. Harbor Master Report June 2023**

- A. Cleaned up a large majority of bank overgrowth at Upper Town Dock
- B. Cleaned up a large majority of Manset parking lot overgrowth.
- C. Installed auxiliary dinghy floats at Manset. Repaired and added dingy float tie up boards.
- D. Rental moorings have been installed except for #7(Manset). Awaiting Chalmers assistance as of 29JUN2023,
- E. All three barge companies are now fully educated on the barge fees required by the Town.
- F. Two new Deputy Harbormasters have started.
- G. Waiting for the quote from White Signs in Bangor for new informational signs.
- H. Purchased supplies to build three information boards to be posted at the entrance to all three docks. Will be used to post fees, ordinances, updates, etc.
- I. Question from June meeting: Nahum Kelly's boat is registered in his name
- J. Received float layout for Beals, Claremont, Dysarts. Beals appears to be following their submitted plan. Have not looked at the other two.
- K. Question for Committee: Has the town ever considered selling the Lower Town Dock property and using the proceeds from that to improve and

expand the Manset Town Dock parking and making it a central hub for commercial traffic?

-The committee agreed that lower town dock was pertinent to the harbor especially for winter access and during inclement weather.

## **VI. Ordinance - edits/ ideas.**

### A. Ideas from Harbor Master

sect iv D

-add

Barge landings shall only occur at the boat ramp at Manset Town Dock

sect iv C

-add

The kayak launch area be specifically designated with signs and outlined as only for the launch and recovery of paddle craft only. Barges needing to load heavy tracked equipment will need to notify harbormaster a minimum of 24 hours in advance to use paddle craft area to onload heavy equipment.

sect ii 15

-add

To be considered a resident, a person must pay property tax for property they are listed on deed for.

sect iv A

-add

Charge an annual fee for waiting list through online mooring.

sect iv A

-add

State that it is the owners' responsibility to update contact information while on the waiting list.

sect iv A

-add

Any vessel to be moored on a mooring ball requires a photo of the vessel to be on file in town office.

sect. vii

-add

Adjust mooring fees for service/ guest moorings. They currently pay the same amount as residents yet can make money off these moorings. fees?

sect. iv C or D

-add

Require commercial permits to be paid for by a certain date.

sect iv- D

Hoist/Dock permit decals shall be displayed on the window closest to hauling equipment.

## **VII. Comments from the Committee**

A. Need to finish ordinance updates by the end of the next meeting to submit.

B. Cut the trees on N. Causeway ROW, and all SWH ROW properties.

C. Cut trees and scrub at Upper Town Dock parking.

### **D. Suggestions from last meeting**

1. Should we not charge launch fees for recreational residents?  
(general consensus of the committee was that we should not)

**E. Suggestions for Next Meeting**

**VIII. Adjournment**

A. 7:41pm Motion: Donnie, John: second. (4-0)