

Marina Advisory Committee Minutes

January 31, 2024

Present: Joe Aberdale - Chair, David Stamatis- Co-Chair, Martha Wilson, Kevin Coakley, Doug Straus, Frederick Felix, John Wolf, Edward Kane, Will Barrio
Absent: James Gray
Guest: Rebecca Taylor

Meeting was called to order at 7:02pm.
Venue: Zoom

Announcements, Open Session and Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of December 6, 2024, were reviewed. The minutes were unanimously approved on a motion made by Kevin and seconded by Martha.

Harbormaster Report

Memo regarding marina work submitted by the harbormaster

Discussion of Possible Extension of Boating Season

The Committee decided to address this item at the next meeting with the harbormaster present.

Discussion of Marina Signage

Several members expressed the strong need for signage for safety and to protect the town's liability.

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Marina Concerns

Martha questioned if there is going to be improvement work done on the marina fuel pumps. John stated that the high pressure hose on the diesel fuel pump cannot safely pump fuel into boats with small fuel tanks and can be the cause of fuel leaking into the harbor. John learned that using a fuel hose adapter does not work. John made the harbormaster aware of the potential problem before the fuel pumps were installed and would like to see a modification made.

David requested that the issue of having a defibrillator at the marina be on the next meeting agenda.

Kevin expressed the need for the various town people involved with the ice machine proposal to move ahead as soon as possible. Kevin agreed to be the

Committee's liaison to the ice machine proposal people with reports back to the Committee. John stated the need to provide water and electricity for the machine. Kevin requested that John talk to the select board about creating an ad hoc committee to manage the ice machine project. Doug expressed the need to upgrade the bandstand at the marina. John will get information for the Committee.

Boating Fee Schedule

Doug stated that he offered his financial skills and experience to the harbormaster to assist with the goal of presenting a clear marina financial picture and is waiting for Will to get back to him. Doug stated he will contact Will for an update. The Committee decided to address this item at the next meeting with the harbormaster present.

Dredging Update

John spoke about his efforts to advocate for the Army Corps to change their position regarding Area 2 dredging.

New Business and Future Concerns

None

The next meeting will be on February 28, 2024, at 7:00pm via Zoom.
A motion to adjourn was made by Martha and seconded by Frederick. Motion passed unanimously.
Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.
Minutes respectfully submitted by Joe Aberdale