

**Harbor Committee
Bristol Town Hall
June 1, 2023**

Present: Robert Ball, Troy Benner, Sandy Davis, Steve Hope, Rick Poland, John Stolecki, John Stotz

Also present: C. Williams

The meeting was called to order at 5:04pm.

Minutes

On a motion by Poland and a second by Ball, the minutes of April 27 were passed unanimously.

Harbor Master Reports

Ball reported that he has had a local marine contractor mooring-hopping in Round Pond Harbor. The contractor has used several moorings in the harbor without permission and has caused some of the moorings to be dragged out of place. Ball told the contractor that they could not use any moorings but could anchor in the mud. Ball said this was not a long-term solution for mooring the barge. It was noted that the contractor had done some damage to the town landing and floats. The Round Pond Town Landing parking lot will be paved June 5. The parking lot will be closed for the day.

Hope reported mostly quiet harbors. One of the derelict dock owners hired a contractor for preliminary work on the dock, a neighbor was concerned with the contractor's barge blocking access to their dock.

Stolecki reported mostly quiet harbors. A neighbor of a derelict dock owner was concerned with tree debris stuck in her pilings. Stolecki assured the neighbor that the tree debris most likely came from the river and not the derelict dock. Stolecki reported that the boat planned to be used as a rental had moved from UPR to LPR just inside Penny's point. The owner of the boat said he had a mooring in UPR about 10 years ago. A local contractor has dived to look for it but has not found it. A contractor from South Bristol has been using Hanna Landing for repairs, etc. Stolecki noted he has been very respectful about using the space and calls Stolecki 24 hours in advance each time it's used.

Float Bid

The bid for the abandoned float was due May 25th. No bids were received by that date. On May 26, Ron Poland made an offer of \$20. The Town Admin accepted the offer on behalf of the committee. Poland will be responsible for moving the float from the Transfer Station.

Derelict Docks

It was noted that two of the three derelict dock owners have been trying to either stabilize or remove their docks. Unfortunately, the progress has been slow. If the committee has not heard back from the owners with further news by the next meeting another letter/email will be sent requesting an update.

Moorings & Hardware

Stolecki has offered all abandoned moorings to a local contractor. The contractor would be responsible for finding and removing such moorings. Stolecki located a plastic tag that would work for labelling mooring hardware. The tag consists of 2 layers of plastic and the mooring number could be burned into the first layer of plastic. This would work well beneath the surface. He suggested the committee pre stamp the tags with mooring numbers and then distribute to the contractors. Davis suggested a photo of the mooring hardware as well.

Enforcement

Stolecki reported he had not heard back from B. Barter about Harbor Warden services. He asked the committee if the Harbormasters should start issuing the summons themselves and doing the follow up with Lincoln County DA. He will find out more information. Local DMR Warden K. Nelligan will be contacted as well.

New Harbor Landing

A proposal from Spruce Meadow Landscaping for \$2000 was accepted. The proposal is for tree and brush removal at NH Landing.

The meeting adjourned at 6:17pm. The next meeting will be held Thursday, June 22 @ 5pm at the Town Office.

Respectfully Submitted

Rachel Bizarro
Harbor Committee Secretary