

**Harbor Committee  
Bristol Town Hall  
September 28, 2023**

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

*Also present: Earle Cooper*

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm.

**Minutes**

On a motion by Poland and a second by Benner, minutes from August 24 were approved unanimously.

**Harbormaster Reports**

Ball reported a busy landing as people prepared for the arrival of Hurricane Lee. A property for sale along lower Moxie Creek has requested deep water mooring access in the Harbor. The request was denied as it violates section 7A of the Harbor & Landings Ordinance. Ball and the Coast Guard responded to a sinking boat near Brown's Cove. The boat was unable to be pumped out due to three pump failures (the vessel's pump, Ball's pump, and the Coast Guard's pump). The vessel was towed to Round Pond; water and all.

Hope reported the derelict dock located at 021-055-A has had some repairs done. More repairs are needed to deem the dock stabilized.

Stolecki reported no changes to the derelict dock located at 04C-055. Drebelbis Point Association contacted Stolecki looking for a new area to store floats for their residents. The Association shared that DEP does not allow any float storage on marshland or shore areas.

Stolecki spoke with the secretary at the DA's office. They are still researching options for harbors and landings enforcement.

**Hanna Landing Contract**

A two-year contract to remove and install floats at Hanna Landing was signed in Fall 2022. The contract will expire in Spring of 2024.

**Unregistered Moorings**

Fines and penalties were discussed for mooring owners who have not registered their moorings for 2023. The deadline to register is December 31.

**Mooring Fields**

The idea of tagging the mooring rock and possibly the top chain under the buoy was discussed. This would be useful for identifying the mooring's owner if the ball was lost or removed. Tags made of metal and plastic would be most durable and the mooring number would have to be etched onto the tag.

**Public Comment**

Cooper reported that his mooring is missing from Upper Pemaquid River. He had put a 'spud' on it last year and the spud is now gone. He was advised to hire a diver, someone to drag the area, or install a new mooring.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25pm. The next meeting will be held Thursday, October 26 @ 5pm at the Town Office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Bizarro  
Harbor Committee Secretary