Harbor Committee Bristol Town Hall September 30, 2021

Present: Robert Ball, Troy Benner, David Caron, Steve Hope, Rick Poland, John Stolecki, John Stotz

The meeting was called to order at 5:13pm.

Amendment to the Agenda.

Hope requested that barge storage at New Harbor Landing be added to the agenda.

Minutes.

There was unanimous approval to accept the Harbor Committee minutes from August 26.

Harbormaster Reports.

New Harbor. Hope reported two signs have been installed at New Harbor Landing. One identifying the landing and the other a "No Parking" sign.

Round Pond. A seasonal property owner of Map 007, Lot 062-C has requested a mooring in Round Pond harbor. His property abuts Moxie Creek in the southern portion of the harbor. He told Ball he was going to challenge the ordinance. He would like the priority of shorefront property owners to extend to deep water. The current ordinance reads "Shorefront owners requesting an initial location adjacent to their property." The property owner has been putting marker buoys out, but Ball has removed them, so they don't get tangled up with other boats and moorings. The property owner is seeking a mooring for a 23' boat.

Ball received several calls to remove a dead seal from the harbor.

Pemaguid. Stolecki noted that everything in Pemaguid is like a beautiful day.

Online mooring process.

Bizarro shared the research she had done on moorings among the coastal towns and cities in Maine. She presented two online mooring registrations companies: onlinemooring.com and mooringinfo.com. She asked the committee for permission to set up a demo from each company for the next meeting. All agreed.

Barge Storage at New Harbor Landing.

Hope has been asked by a local marine contractor to use the landing to perform maintenance work on a barge. The contractor will most likely need the space for up to two months. Hope and Benner thought there was enough room on the landing without the barge being in the way of the ramp and other activities. The contractor has offered a donation for the use of the landing. On a motion by Hope and a second by Poland it was unanimously approved to allow the contractor to use the landing for barge maintenance from the present through 12/31/2021. If the contractor should need more time, it must be approved by the Harbormaster and Harbor Committee.

Mooring Fields.

Aerial photos taken of Round Pond harbor were reviewed. Overall, the committee liked the photos as they provided a great perspective of the mooring field. Ball will request a thumb drive of the photos so the town will have a copy for the Harbor Committee files.

Stolecki noted a lot of moorings not being used in Pemaquid. Ball and Hope concurred the same was happening in their harbors. Ball wants something sent out with renewals that states the boat described on the permit must be on the mooring.

The meeting adjourned at 6:42pm. The next two meetings will be held on October 28 and November 18 at 5pm at the Bristol Town Office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Bizarro Harbor Committee Secretary