Harbor Committee Bristol Town Hall November 18, 2021

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

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Also present: Mark Zaccadelli II

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

Minutes.

On a motion by Poland and a second by Benner, the minutes from October 28 were unanimously approved.

Harbormaster Reports.

New Harbor. Hope reported all well in the harbor but not at the landing. NHMC has left floats in the middle of the landing and parking area obstructing the use of the landing and ramp. Benner moved one float out of the way so a boat could be launched. Ball stated that NHMC has been treated fairly when it comes to float storage and that they are taking advantage of the situation. It's one thing if they asked permission to leave the floats there temporarily, but they don't ask. Poland suggested all floats be seized and moved to the Transfer Station for storage. It was noted there is still a pontoon boat being stored at New Harbor Landing.

Pemaquid. Stolecki reported the float left at Hanna Landing was still tied up there. NHMC had left it there and when Stolecki contacted them he was told "if you haul the float, it's less work for me". Stolecki determined the owner of the float and called and left a message about the situation. He never heard back from the owner. Stolecki consulted with another local contractor and contacted a local towing service. When he returned to the landing a few hours later, the float had been removed. Stolecki now realizes he should have acted quicker, and have the float removed after one day. Stolecki noted the float did not obstruct the use of the boat ramp at Hanna Landing.

Round Pond. Ball reported some damage in the harbor after a wind incident. Several skiffs tied to landing were sunk. And a 30' boat came loose from its mooring. It was determined the chain (5/8' and 2 years old) had worn out. The boat was using a Padebco mooring. It is believed that Padebco had someone from Wiscasset service the mooring. Ball is urging mooring owners to sink their moorings before the November 1 deadline.

Mooring Fields.

Stolecki has been in touch with M Calouro from onlinemooring.com about creating a harbor plan for Pemaquid River. Calouro said onlinemooring.com can do the mapping offsite but it would be a better if the Town invested in a GPS and did some measuring themselves. Calouro thought a \$600-\$800 GPS would work well. The cost of mapping plan would be separate from the \$6 fee associated with electronic mooring registrations.

Stolecki would like the mooring field organized with smaller boats in shallower water and larger boats in deeper water which would create more space. New mooring owners would not be able to obtain a mooring until they owned a boat. Stolecki expressed surprise he hasn't received any backlash from putting a freeze on new moorings.

All agreed to focus on Pemaquid River and Long Cove first when organizing mooring fields with GPS coordinates.

Float Storage.

The committee still awaits a final opinion from J. Villeneuve about float storage at Hanna Landing and Moxie Cove Landing. Bizarro has reached out to her several times but has not had a response. Stolecki has reached out several times and has stopped by the office but there has been no response from Villeneuve.

Miscellaneous.

On a motion by Poland and seconded by Caron all approved the invoice from RPMS for taking out the floats at Hanna Landing. The invoice will be paid in the next town warrant. Ona motion by Benner and seconded by Caron all agreed to enter into a contract with onlinemooring.com for electronic registration of moorings.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55pm. The next meeting will be held on December 16 at 5pm at the Bristol Town Office. Agenda items to include: Ordinance wording for float storage at New Harbor Landing, ordinance wording for Brown's Cove, Long Point Cove and Thompson's Landings, 2022 mooring fees and renewal period.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Bizarro Harbor Committee Secretary