

Town of Wells Maine  
Harbor Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, June 27, 2019 5 PM  
Wells Town Hall  
Sanford Road

Present: Town Manager Jon Carter, Chairman Mike Caplan, Harbormaster Michael Yorke, Ryan Liberty, Scott Worthing, Francis Dudley, Paul Dever, Dave Harrison, Charlie Bashaw, Meeting Recorder Cinndi Davidson

Excused: Robert Hobbs, Kate Mooney

1. Harbor Update

a. Boat trailer parking lot survey & layout status

The lot has to be striped once the trailer spaces are pinned. The lot was cleaned up and brush removed. We found a trailer that will be auctioned.

b. Status of the pump out grant application

The pump has been ordered and is due in 2 weeks. The electrician and plumber are working with the installer. Estimated completion date is mid to late July.

c. Review of the float numbering system

This will be adjusted when all the boats are in.

d. Update on grant ideas

The agencies involved with the dredge want more information. We can get more grant money if we go with 3-4 grants for different projects. To be determined: Volume to be dredged and where to put the material (sand, gravel, etc.)

e. 2019 Boating Season: Update on the HAC list of projects and issues for review

Dock maintenance is ongoing.

ACOE is preparing the dredge review paperwork.

HM Office is cleaned and organized.

Mooring fees are collected at Town Hall.

Private mooring project is underway.

The children's life jacket project is complete.

Jim Black is the new Assistant Harbor Master.

The Eastern Shore parking lot was full on Saturday and 3 mooring holders were waiting for spots. People have complained about the lifeguards parking for free. (They are employees.) Certain spaces are reserved for them by their headquarters.

Jon Carter will talk with PWD Carol Murray about fencing, boulders and/or shrubs at the Eastern Shore lot so no one drives off the edge.

We need more cigarette disposal containers in the parking areas. Mike will talk with Ken.

Charter boat parking at the main pier overnight must be approved by the HM.

Rails for the pilings are in place.

## 2. Friends of Wells Harbor Report-Ryan Liberty

Coming events: BrewFest July 14, HarborFest August 3, Woodies in the Cove and lobster bake August 10.

The student art project will be finished next fall. The Friends are working with Kathy Chase about a plein air art day at the harbor. The Historical Society will hold another tour of the harbor and one hour cruise.

The memorial bench for Jim Shaw is next to the HM office. Kate is working on the language for Chick Falconer's plaque to be mounted on the HM office.

### 3. Shellfish Report—None

### 4. Open to the Public

~There are no parking spaces after 12 noon on Saturdays. Passes for the charter boats are out of control. Beach parking stickers will be issued one per family this year. Parking enforcement is up to Wells PD. Until noon it is marina parking, after noon anyone can park there. The Selectmen will be asked to consider changing it from noon to 5 PM. People with parking issues should contact the Selectmen. Fishermen who need overnight parking should notify the HM and Wells PD. People should document the date and time when the parking wasn't working for the boat owners. Do we need a moratorium on charter boats? There are 2 new Selectmen and committee assignments, including the HAC liaison, will be made next Tuesday.

~A Celebration of Life for Jim Shaw was held Sunday, June 23 at the Harbor Park. There was a bright blue sky, stiff breeze off the ocean and an array of delicious food including clam chowder, lobster rolls and strawberry shortcake. A large gathering of Jim's family and friends reminisced and shared laughs and tears. A delegation from the Marine Patrol rendered honors and presented the flag to his family. HAC was represented by HM Mike Yorke, Gus Crocker, Bill Comeau and Cinni Davidson.

### 5. Review and acceptance of May 30, 2019 meeting minutes.

Motion by Francis Dudley, seconded by Scott Worthing, to accept the minutes as written. Passed unanimously.

### 6. Next Meeting 7/25/2019

Respectfully submitted,

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Cinndi Davidson, Meeting Recorder

Accepted by,

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Michael Caplan, Chairman