

Harbor Advisory Committee
Thursday, January 26, 2022 4 PM
Littlefield Meeting Room, Wells Town Hall

Present: Harbor Master Mike Yorke, Chairman Mike Caplan, Scott Worthing, Eric Sprague, Selectman Liaison Bob Foley, Meeting Recorder Cinndi Davidson

Excused: Bob Hobbs, David Harrison, Phil Breton, Paul Dever, Derek Peters, Charlie Bashaw

1. Since there was not a quorum, the December minutes were not reviewed and no votes were taken.
2. Welcome new member Eric Sprague, filling the vacancy when Kate moved out of state. Mike has an application from another interested candidate to replace a member who has not been attending meetings.
3. Charlie Bashaw has agreed to serve as Mike's Vice Chairman.
4. Harbor Master's Report
 - ~Dredge. ACOE won't accept the assessor's list of property owners. They want title searches for confirmation. The dredge is getting complicated and expensive. Bob Foley will contact Senator Collins' office.
 - ~The County has purchased a dredge boat which is being built in Baltimore. Now they are asking for a push boat, too. The future of this project doesn't look good.
 - ~New outboard for Harbor Master's boat. Mike obtained several quotes; the best is \$13,200 installed. The funds are in CIP.
 - ~New commercial docking area. DOT has made a site visit. Chris Mayo is funding the first leg through the State and wants us to apply for a \$250,000 grant. One lane will be funded and we are approved for two. Bob asked if we need a new lease from the State for the intertidal area. Mike will check into it. The target date for completion is 2025.
5. Relocate old clam building. Mike will follow up with Mike Livingston.

6. Harbor parking lot. Public Works will make the needed signage. Customers are still parking in the wrong area. Charter boat captains need to tell their customers where to park. Suggestions included a map of parking/no parking areas at the entrance to the harbor, and including parking information on the charter boat web sites. Mike C. recommended a site walk/brainstorming session for the HAC when the weather improves.
7. Next meeting: Thursday, February 23 at 4 PM. Bob suggested a group text to check on attendance before the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Cinndi Davidson, Meeting Recorder

Accepted by,

Mike Caplan, Chairman