

Minutes 4/20/21 Harbor Committee Meeting

Members Present: (at the Town House) Bud Fisher, Frank Peasley, Don Condon, Chris Bates, Mark Shaughnessy, (via Zoom) Patrick Ryan

Others Present: Debrae Bishop, Harbormaster

Committee reviewed minutes to the March 20, 2021 meeting. Minutes unanimously accepted as written.

Financial Statements for March 31st were reviewed. Discussion followed.

Harbormaster report

Discussion of status of spring billings. Betsy Cove and Dodge's Points docks repaired. Betsy's Cove docks are in the water. Dodge's Point docks will launch in May. Spring cleanup (sand removal etc.) will take place shortly.

There are approximately 30 people on the waiting list for moorings in Buck's Harbor. The harbormaster expects to be able to accommodate some but not all. Harbormaster will begin the allocation process after all renewals are received.

Update on Betsy's Cove Wall

Submission for permit to DEP made on April 5th. Discussion.

Engineer expects to have final soil engineering report shortly. Final construction drawings should be ready in 4 to 6 weeks.

He expects to be on track with our schedule. He noted that he and others are swamped with projects as a year's worth of lost activity comes online. He is refusing new work until at least late fall because he is at capacity. We are lucky to be ahead of the curve.

No word yet on MDOT designation.

The Committee reviewed changes to the Comprehensive Plan's goals for the Marine Resources section. Committee is comfortable with the language in the current draft.

Committee discussed the mooring allocation rules in Buck's Harbor. Committee feels rules should be reviewed for potential update. Chris Bates will collect mooring allocation rules from other harbors in the region. He will present his findings at the next meeting.

Adjourn