

CAMDEN HARBOR COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF
January 2, 2014
MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Gene McKeever, Ben Ellison, Steve Gold, Richard Stetson, Ben Cashen, Ray Williamson, and Harbormaster Steve Pixley.

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT: Will Gartley (Gartley & Dorsky) Engineering)
The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

1. NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

No Discussion.

2. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 5TH & DECEMBER 12TH MINUTES:

The minutes of December 5th were passed to include a request by Ben Ellison to make a revision under “Non-Agenda Items” to state that he requested to discuss the Bay Road Public Access issue with the committee at the December 12th meeting and that Chairperson McKeever ruled not to discuss. ***A motion to accept minutes with revision was done by Richard Stetson and Steve Gold seconded. Passed 5-0-0.***

Ray Williamson motioned to accept December 12th minutes as written and Richard Stetson seconded motion. Passed 5-0-0.

3. HARBORMASTER’S REPORT:

Harbormaster Pixley updated the committee on lobster boats using the docks this winter and that he is charging a fee to them. He also, discussed the fact that he has revoked the permit for Paul Crowley’s inner harbor float and that he has tried to contact Mr. Crowley for the past 5 months to no avail. The permit site has been reassigned to another person for the 2014 season.

4. FINGER FLOAT SYSTEM:

No Discussion.

5. DAYSAILER BERTHS AT LIBRARY PARK FLOAT:

Harbormaster Pixley has spoken to Captain Mike McHenry of the “Angelique” concerning vessels renting at his berthing float and he would not have a problem with “daysailers” berthing at this area. Discussion was made on possibly installing new gear to secure berthing of vessels.

6. ARTICLE VI – CONSTRUCTION OF PIERS:

Will Gartley spoke to the committee on his concerns with Article VI of the ordinance concerning construction of piers and the different language between a construction of a pier and a consolidated pier. He questioned where the figures for the length of pier originated from and where the base of the pier would begin when measuring the walkway width. He made the point that if a criteria was arguable than there is an issue with the wording of the criteria’s. The committee feels that this section should be reviewed and changes made where needed. Ben Ellison suggested making the language of construction of piers to read as language of consolidated piers. The committee will begin a working group to review Article VI beginning on January 9th at 7:30 a.m. The members of the group will be: Sandy Welte, Richard Stetson, Ben Cashen, Steve Gold, Steve Pixley, Ben Ellison and Will Gartley.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m. with the next regular meeting scheduled for February 6th @ 7:30 a.m. in the Washington Street Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marlene Libby
Harbor Clerk