

1 replied that this would be the jurisdiction of the Park and Rec Committee. Mr. McKeever noted that
2 they have installed a haul-out line for mooring small boats, but the problems with encouraging public
3 access is that there are no facilities on the island.

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5 Harbor Committee Comments:

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7 Page 12-2: There are 4 daysailers now, not three

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9 Page 2-3: Last paragraph: The language of the last two sentences was changed: “However, there is
10 no Town-owned public access to the shoreline of Penobscot Bay beyond the Outer Harbor. A portion
11 of Camden Hills State Park off Belfast Road borders the Coastal Harbor and provides public access for
12 picnicking and hiking.”

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14 Page 12-4: Regarding consolidated piers and piers in general: The Committee is taking a new look at
15 the policy and whether or not it makes sense to recommend that there be no new piers permitted in the
16 inner or outer harbor period – they would still be allowed in the Coastal Harbor. Consolidated piers
17 have gone out of favor because of joint ownership issues not because they didn’t work to reduce
18 proliferation.

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20 The inner harbor especially is too busy and too crowded in the summer already, and the
21 increased popularity of small personal boats like kayaks and paddleboards that like to hug the harbors
22 edge have to go out into traffic to get around piers, is making it very difficult to find a location in the
23 harbor where a pier can be safely sited. There are also concerns about the lack of sufficient depth at
24 the end of piers when they are constructed according to the current standards limiting length and
25 height above water. The concerns in the outer harbor have mostly to do with aesthetics, but the pier
26 standards limit where these piers can be built in any case.

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28 The Committee is going to have to look at adjusting these standards given the rising water
29 levels that come with storm surges, and they may take a look at the pier policy in general when they
30 do. This would mean a small loss of future tax dollars to the Town and that will have to be considered
31 as well.

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33 Page 12-6

34 Item 6): The Harbor Committee will offer language to make this paragraph more representative of the
35 current situation and to include the protections offered fishermen in the harbor by M.R.S.A. Title 38.

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37 **4. CHAPTER 10 Land Use – Committee Review:**

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39 The Committee reviewed Ms. Tuttle’s draft and made several recommendations for changes
40 and corrections; she will have the revised draft available for the February 6 meeting. Ms. Tuttle
41 informed the Board that Pete Brown, who was a resource for her in finding information to revise this
42 Chapter, wants to put the Comprehensive Plan on the Parks and Rec Committee agenda. Ray
43 Andreason also noted that the Committee should be aware that much of the information in some
44 chapters involving this subject matter is subject to revision and update as plans for Ragged Mountain
45 move forward.

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5. CHAPTER 20 Planning:

Mr. Sargent met with Mr. Wilson to discuss this Chapter. The draft is supposed to be an overview and Mr. Sargent asked members to keep that in mind as they review the revisions.

6. SCHEDULE of REVIEW

Mr. Sargent reminded the Committee that they have lost much Comp Plan time due to the Fox Hill review. The Planning Board agenda is going to be full with reviews and proposed amendments. At the next meeting he would like to look at the possibility of having one extra meeting a month just to work on the Comp Plan.

7. OTHER

Ms. Tuttle announced that she was moving and resigning her position - this would be her last meeting. Mr. Sargent hopes the Select Board will advertise the vacancy right away, but suggested that members reach out to anyone they think might be interested in the meantime.

There being no further business before the Committee they adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne Hollingsworth, Recording Secretary