

**TOWN OF BARRINGTON
HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday May 9, 2012**

PRESENT: Brian Hunt (Chairman), Chip Hawkins, Paul Dennis, Anne Chapin, Ben Chwalk, Jay Dwyer, Mike Reuter, James Foster, Ed Schottland (via phone)

ALSO PRESENT: Ray Sousa – Harbormaster, Anne Strong – Planning Board Liaison, Bill Cost, Todd Harff, Charlotte Sornborger

Brian Hunt called meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Motion was made to accept the April 11, 2012 minutes by Chip; seconded by Paul and all approved.

1) Boating Safety Awareness Day:

- Ray has obtained 3 West Marine gift cards that will be raffled
- Elks will be the chefs; food will be provided by Cove Haven
- Exhibits will be on the lawn
- Ray asked that members of the BHC arrive at 9:30 to help set up

2) Charlotte Sornborger:

Charlotte requested the following to help protect the turtles:

- 1) That the BHC post speed limit signs on the bridge near the White Church and at Walker Farm. It was explained any signs on the bridge need to be approved and posted by the DOT. The BHC agreed to design signs for the public access areas at Police Cove and Walker Farm. Ray envisioned that the signs would be similar to a chart with all 5 mph limits clearly marked.
- 2) An additional (6th) speed limit buoy – which was agreed to
- 3) Harbor Patrols at different times during the day – which is done
- 4) The issuance of more citations – It was explained that citations were issued more for hazardous boating that endangers lives.

3) Todd Harff:

Todd questioned the letter of objection that the BHC sent to CRMC regarding his dock application at 45 Mathewson Road. The application requested the dock extend 64.5 feet into the main harbor from MLW. The BHC explained the importance of having the dock extend only 50 feet from MLW and for it not to extend beyond any other existing dock structures, which is the guideline the BHC uses for all dock applications.

4) Harbormasters Report :

a. Mooring renewals:

Ray has received 233 registrations with 2 pending. This is down from 241 last year. There are 5 new moorings in Bullocks Cove.

b. Discussion on Proposed Amendments to Town Ordinances:

Paul made a motion to accept the Proposed Amendments to the Town Ordinances dated April 11, 2012 and revised on 5/9/12. Jim seconded with some additional minor wording changes and all approved.

5) Subcommittee Reports :

a. Mooring Assignment:

Brian made a motion to accept the minutes of the meeting on March 14, 2012 after amending the motion to read "To be on the relocation list you must own a boat and a mooring in the Harbor". Anne seconded and all approved.

6) Chairman's Report:

Brian can now post meeting agendas and minutes on the website.

Chip made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 PM, Jim seconded and all approved.

Scribed by Anne Chapin

APPROVED BY ALL 6-13-2012