

**TOWN OF BARRINGTON  
HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday June 12, 2013**

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ray Sousa – Harbormaster, Anne Strong-Town Council Liaison, Bill Cost

**ABSENT (ex.) :** James Forster

Brian Hunt called to order 7:35 pm.

**1) Approval of Minutes of May 8<sup>th</sup>**

Motion was made by Chip Hawkins to accept the minutes of the May 8, 2013 meeting; seconded by Ed Schottland.

Motion passed unanimously by Brian Hunt, Mike Reuter, Ben Chwalk, Paul Dennis, Jay Dwyer and Anne Chapin.

**2) Harbormasters Report:**

- a. Ray indicated that CRMC approved the Matheson road dock expansion for George Harff. Originally, HC sent a letter of objection that the dock extended 50 feet beyond other dock structures.
- b. Town of Bristol appointed a new harbormaster named Greg Marsilli. Ray also reported he has been in contact with the Warren harbormaster requesting removal of 3 moorings between can 1 and can 23 but with little success.
- c. Ray reported that improvements continue to the main fairway by moving nun 4 westerly and installing lighted buoys in the fairway. Brian volunteered to take the photos and print them for the Town Council meeting.
- d. Ray reviewed the town ordinance requirement for transom stickers after Chip brought to the HC attention that fellow boaters complained about the maintenance requirements of the stickers. Ray suggested attaching a small wooden plaque on the stern rail for the sticker.
- e. Effective Saturday patrol boats started their 7 days a week schedule.

**3) Subcommittee Reports : No reports**

**4) Chairman's Report:**

**1) Meeting time change**

After a brief discussion it was voted upon to put on the agenda for the next meeting the topic of changing the starting time from 7:30pm to 7:00pm. Motion was made by Chip Hawkins; seconded by Anne Chapin. Motion passed unanimously by Ben Chwalk, Mike Reuter, Paul Dennis, Brian Hunt, Ed Schottland and Jay Dwyer

- 2) Brain reported that break-ins and thefts (kayaks, inflatables) have occurred on the river and questioned whether the HM patrols could be staggered or occur later in

the evening. After several suggestions and discussion Ray indicated the primary focus is boating safety not theft prevention, however Ray noted dual patrols between the police and the HM have occurred in the past and will confer with the police chief on the best solution.

- 3) Several calls were received regarding the Barrington Rowing Club activities at Walker Farm which may have disturbed the shore edge and the salt marsh area. Discussion ensued whether it's under HC purview (no per Ray) and what action should be performed. Motion was made by Chip Hawkins; seconded by Anne Chapin for Brian Hunt to send an informal e-mail to the BRC about residents concerns. Motion unanimously approved by Ben Chwalk, Mike Reuter, Paul Dennis, Brian Hunt, Ed Schottland and Jay Dwyer
- 4) Ann Strong commented that the conservation commission will be reviewing future dock applications.

#### **5) Adjourn Meeting**

A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Chip Hawkins; seconded by Paul Dennis. Motion passed unanimously by Brian Hunt, Chip Hawkins, Mike Reuter, Anne Chapin, Ben Chwalk and Jay Dwyer..

Chairman Brian Hunt adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:45pm

Scribed by Jay Dwyer

Approved July 10,2013