For 11/14/2023

Meeting held in NEH and via Zoom, under Robert's Rules of Order

Harbor Committee Meeting Minutes November 14, 2023

Meeting called to order at 5:30. Black, Bright, Kimmerly, Reis, White, Motenko, Litchfield, Foster, Savage present. Moore excused.

Motion to approve minutes from previous meeting by Bright, seconded by White, unanimous.

First topic of discussion was use of the marina area by Cranberry Isles. There were quite a few islanders in attendance via zoom. Bright mentioned the higher number of workers going to the islands is impacting the parking at the marina, asked if some could go to the Manset lot during the summer months when that ferry was running.

Joe Connell, (selectman from Cranberry Isles) started off thanking Northeast Harbor and saying that the islanders greatly appreciate being able to use the marina, and that they want to work with Northeast Harbor to have a good relationship. It was mentioned that use of dumpsters for construction trash was not the intent for the dumpsters, nor pallets left on the pier. We realize Cranberry is not the only user of these dumpsters and are addressing that with more signage. Cranberry is working on using the Manset lot more, but that is just summer use.

Howie mentioned the ongoing parking survey and asked if they should get permits?

Joe Connell said they understand there can be misuse, Jim Fortune said those vehicles should be ticket, which would help prevent ongoing misuse.

Howie asked that they please remind their folks, and Chairman Savage thanked them for their efforts. Islanders reiterated they did not want to jeopardize their relationship with NEH.

Harbormaster Lemoine gave an update on the rental fees to date, the harbor is ahead of last year and doing very well, YTD is way ahead of last year.

Chairman Savage asked if there were any other changes or suggestions to the ordinance prior to it being given to the attorney for review.

Erika Wibby gave an update on the ice rink situation and their plan to add cooling apparatus to extend the skating season. They are in the process of fundraising for that.

Rebuild of the North ramp is coming along, waiting on the right tide and temperature to pour the forms, which should happen shortly. Bright mentioned the height of the step from the ramp to the float at the South ramp is much higher than normal, perhaps 4-5".

Meeting adjourned at 5:20pm, Motion by Black, seconded by Foster, unanimous.

Submitted By Story Litchfield