

**PORT & HARBORS ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
DATE: 7/10/2007**

CALL TO ORDER:

The Port & Harbors Advisory Board meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m., 7/10/07, in the Port & Harbors Department Office Building, 2933 Tongass Avenue, Ketchikan, Alaska.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

[] Mr. James "Rod" Bray
[X] Mr. Rick Erickson
[X] Ms. Donna Gellings
[X] Mr. John Malouf
[X] Mr. Dave Nesje (Chairman)
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[] Mr. Dale "Mickey" Robbins (Vice Chairman)
[X] Mr. Lew Williams (Councilmember)
[X] Terri-Lee Gould

MEMBERS ABSENT:

| | Excused |
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| [X] Mr. James "Rod" Bray | [] |
| [] Mr. Rick Erickson | [] |
| [] Ms. Donna Gellings | [] |
| [] Mr. John Malouf | [] |
| [] Mr. Dave Nesje (Chairman) | [] |
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| [X] Mr. Dale "Mickey" Robbins (Vice Chairman) | [] |
| [] Mr. Lew Williams (Councilmember) | [] |
| [] Terri-Lee Gould | |

[X] Mr. Christopher Brewton
[X] Mr. Les Zetterberg
[X] Ms. Sue Kurle

MINUTES:

MOTION was made by Lew W. to accept the minutes of the May 2007 meeting of the Port & Harbors Advisory Board. **MOTION SECONDED** by Donna G .
MOTION PASSED with Ms. Gellings, Mr. Nesje, Mr. Williams, Mr. Erickson, Mr. Malouf & Terri-Lee Gould

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. NONE

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

John Stewart: Had concerns about Ordinance #14.30.010 Nuisances Declared. He proposed some changes to the wording. He wanted to delete "or which has insufficient motor or sail power to permit the boat to be maneuvered and controlled safely in and out of the boat harbor under wind and water conditions, which are not unusual and which do not constitute a hazard to craft" in section (a). Section (b) Vessel Seaworthiness changed from "Vessel seaworthiness means a state of readiness and safety which all vessels moored or docked in the boat harbors must meet, including being capable of getting underway under its own power at all times, and be a watercraft constructed and maintained for the primary purpose of navigating the waterways and not solely for the purposes of maintaining a stationary place of residence, floating storage, shop, office, or other non-navigational purposes. Any vessel in violation of the above requirements will be given thirty days to comply with the provisions of this chapter. Noncompliance shall result in the cancellation of moorage and/or removal from the harbor system". He would like it to read, "Vessel seaworthiness for all vessels moored or docked in the boat harbors shall be regulated by proof of dry-dock and maintenance every two years or an affidavit signed by a diver who has performed an inspection and provided necessary services to render the vessel protected from electrolysis and marine growth. Open skiffs are exempt. Any vessel in violation of the above requirements will be given ninety days to comply with the provisions of this chapter. Noncompliance shall result in the removal of the vessel from the harbor system until all discrepancies are corrected. He was concerned about the amount of time given to take care of the requirements of the above items. He did not feel that the boat needed to maneuver the harbor as long as the boat was not a sinking hazard.

Tom Caffrey: Also had concerns about the 30 days to get work done on vessel to make it seaworthy.

Rochelle Coesens: Also had concerns about the same thing.

OLD BUSINESS:

Agenda Item #1: Bar Harbor Floats 3&4-Weather Design Problem, we are still waiting to put out the temporary breakwater. Anchors are pulled out of the water. The harbor department will put together a bid. The project will be done before winter 2007. Is there a way to get out to the net dock? The harbor is looking into it. We will do at same time and it needs to be kept under \$50,000.00. Chris will draw up something to show the board what they are planning on doing. There are three yellow flashing beacons on the temporary breakwater per USCG. We do have them in stock.

Agenda Item #2: Eric Muench KTN Rescue Squad, the City Council stated that KPU cannot give away power and suggested that the Harbor Department pay for it. Dave talked to Mr. Amylon about this. The board directed this to go to council with the possibility of coming out of grant monies at the council discretion. Lew Williams will call Mr. Muench and make a suggestion about going for grant monies. Also let him know that this proposal was brought before the board a few years back and it was suggested to them at that time to get on the list for the grant monies.

Agenda Item #3: Rate Fee Suggested Changes, Nothing done yet. Chris talked to Mr. Newell and asked if he could attend the next PHAB meeting Aug, 14 2007 to go over rates that the board would like to increase. He said he would be there.

Agenda Item #4: Ordinance No. 14.30.010 Rewording, Chris stated that there are quite a number of people that are on a wait list with running boats wanting a slip, we have spent \$40,000.00 in the past couple of years in non-recoverable funds for salvage costs on vessels that have sank. We have always worked with our customers to make a determination on what they have to do. A weeks' extension turns into a month, then 6 months and sometimes years. It is subjective, it has to be so we can look at each case separately. Sue stated she sends out the maneuver letters that the harbormasters give to her. The harbormaster walks the dock and knows when boats have not left the docks and if they have working motors or not. The 30 days listed on the letter is to motivate the customer to contact our office and work with us to meet the requirements. Donna asked about the 30-day compliance and whether the customer would loose the reserve moorage status. They do not loose their stall if they continue paying the moorage. We would not cancel a stall if the customer were working towards being compliant. There is no middle ground, we need it the way it is worded in order to keep our harbors for boats not storage. We are not trying to get rid of live a board at all. They are an asset to the harbors.

MOTION was made by Donna G not to change the wording on ordinance 14.30.010 & send back to the council. **MOTION SECONDED** by Lew W. **MOTION PASSED** with Ms. Gellings, Mr. Nesje, Mr. Williams, Mr. Erickson, Mr. Malouf & Terri-Lee Gould voting yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Agenda Item #1: Kayak Storage, Sue K stated that there is not much to report on. Donna Ryan & I visited the harbors to find locations to put the storage. Our opinion is to start out with two spots at Hole in the Wall along the railing going to the dock. Thomas Basin has a spot at the bottom of the ramp next to the electrical panels. We propose to put a rack that would store up to 4 Kayaks and/or Canoes. We have not heard back from the city attorney, so this is on hold until we do.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

None

HARBORMASTER REPORT:

1. Port Expansion Project: We have about 20 more pilings to drive for the Casey Moran float. Change order 4, 280,000.00 to cover change conditions for pile install, change 5 will reflect the cost has been to date. No changes to the design process.
2. Berth 4: Construction has started with a 3/31/08 completion date. Madson Construction was awarded the project, tentative sheet pile start date is 8/1/07, tentative water works start date of 10/1/07, they have purchased the floating barge that will be here the 7/16/07. We will start having progress meetings every two weeks. The city has the right to approve the engineering design and we have until 7/20/07 to get the 90% design review back to Karl.
3. Knudson Cove: The governor cut the budget from 10,000,000.00 to 5,000,000.00, for the 50/50 grant program for 2008. We can't apply for a Knudson Cove grant because we have not officially transferred it over. It is the state agency that is keeping us from doing it, but they won't let us bid. The AAHPA is addressing this. It would be useful for the board to send notification to City Council recommending that they do something to motivate the governor for funds. Dave recommended that it be done under new business.
4. Bar Harbor N Concrete Repair Project: That bid will be coming out soon. KPU Engineering is working on it to modify the original scope. We have 1.26 Million left over from the phase II work to get it done. A local contractor is doing temporary repairs at the bottom of ramp on Bar Harbor N.
5. Jennie Soderstrom did a good job for us, and got the Trident lease passed through the council. The processing barge and process the effluent that is not getting pumped into the Narrows.
6. Phase III Bar Harbor S Float 5 & 6 replacement & Float 7 upgrade: The electrical costs have gone up by 125,000.00 since we received the last bid in 11/06. We will have to come up with some extra money somewhere.
7. PND: We met with them and they did a proto type design for Sitka. Chris went up to Sitka to look at it and was impressed. There are hinges that run the length of the finger float so you don't twisting like we are getting on 3 & 4. There are 2 sets of floatation. One set is permit in the water and one set is a little higher so if the load is heavy it level. Everything is HDPE, not wood or metal in the water. We told them to proceed with that.
8. Chris went to the Maritime Security Conference in Seattle, WA. He was a guest speaker and he talked about the security challenges we deal with.
9. We hosted some Home Land Security people here about three weeks ago. They were impressed with what we have done.
10. Chris will be transferring to Electric on 8/1/07.
11. Chris has a meeting with the Area Maritime Security Committee in Juneau the week of 7/16/07.
12. The TWIC Program: We submitted our plan. 9/2008 is the date everyone has to be complaint.
13. Thomas Basin curb was damaged about 3 weeks ago. Public works is aware of it.
14. We completed our USCG facility audit last week with the Marine Exchange. We had seven discrepancies from the U. S. Coast Guard compliance inspection and we have completed those.

15. We completed a Certificate of Adequacy for garbage reception and a waiver for oil.

16. Kenicott will be considering winter moorage from us at berth III.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS:

Mr. James "Rod" Bray

Mr. Rick Erickson

Is berth III a public facility? I have been asked this quite often. Chris said they need a port pass & when the construction is completed it will be a public facility but not while it is in progress.

Ms. Donna Gellings

Sorry to see Chris go.

Mr. John Malouf

Ryus Float is inoperable as it is, what are the plans for it? Chris said the city has commissioned a study with PND to do facility review of the entire port. Primarily looking at developing a capital replacement plan for the entire infrastructure, one of the things they are looking at is filling in that hole. We have talked to Rick about sliding the cruise ship down if there is only one in port to make it accessible. Sorry to see Chris leave. The port is running great this year.

Mr. Dave Nesje

Sad to see Chris go, you have made dramatic changes while in charge. We have faith in the department and that is why we did not change the wording on the ordinance.

Mr. Dale "Mickey" Robbins

Mr. Lew Williams

Gone

Terri-Lee Gould

I am glad that we keep the language intact on ordinance 14.30.010. There have been several people that have not been compliant for a long time. I am sorry I was late.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION TO ADJOURN was made by Donna G **MOTION SECONDED** by Rick E . **MOTION PASSED** with Ms. Gellings, Mr. Nesje, Mr. Robbins, Mr. Williams, & Terri-Lee Gould

MINUTES APPROVED:

Chair/Vice Chair Signature

Date