

**TREMONT HARBOR COMMITTEE
HARVEY KELLEY MEETING ROOM
MAY 18, 2011
5:00PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The May 18, 2011 Tremont Harbor Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Jon Crossman at 5:00PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Harbor Committee members included Jon Crossman, Art Paine, Mel Atherton, Mike Ryan, Dean Wass, Spencer Ervin, Town Manager Millard Billings, Harbor Master David Schlaefer, Recording Secretary McKenzie Jewett, Town Attorney James Collier. Chris Eaton, Andrew Smith, David Lunt, and Zack Lunt. Absent from meeting Wayne Rich

3. ACCEPT MINUTES

MOTION By Harbor Committee Member Mel Atherton to accept minutes with minor changes, seconded by Harbor Committee Mike Ryan. 5-1, Spencer absent from meeting.

4. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Billings informed the Harbor Committee that Member Wayne Rich was absent from meeting but asked him to notify the Committee that the Blessing of the Fleet and lobster boat races will be June 26, 2011

Town Manager Billings also obtained copies of other Towns ordinance; he forwarded copies to the Town Attorney James Collier.

5. HARBOR MASTER REPORT

Harbor Master Schlaefer informed the Harbor Committee that 20-25 moorings were left to be set.

Harbor Master Schlaefer issued Andrew Smith a violation for non-payment of daily use fees. The violation was for \$810.00; this amount is equal to non-resident wharf permit. Mr. Smith was present to discuss the violation.

According to Mr. Smith he had used the wharf, the first few times he paid the daily use fee by putting a check in the mail slot at the Harbor Master shack. In one occasion Harbor Master Schlaefer approached Mr. Smith and asked for payment, Mr. Smith had paid, but the check had blown under a cabinet in the shack. After that Mr. Smith was hesitant to put checks in the mail slot. He made it clear that he did intend to pay the daily use fee, and was not trying to be sneaky. He also felt that \$810.00 was excessive for a violation. Harbor Master Schlaefer explained to the Committee why he was charged the amount on the ticket; in the past all violators have been charged the amount of a wharf permit-based on the length of boat.

After much discussion **MOTION** by Harbor Committee Mel Atherton to support the Harbor Master, and move forward with the violation for \$810.00. No second was made, motion was not carried.

MOTION by Harbor Committee Member Art Paine to issue violation for \$100.00, seconded by Harbor Committee Mike Ryan. 4-2. Harbor Committee Members Dean Wass and Mel Atherton opposed.

Chairman Jon Crossman has had complaints about dogs on the wharf. It was noted that there is a leash law in the State of Maine. Discussion about putting up signs on the wharf. Town Manager Billings will write a letter to the Wharf house tenant reminding that dogs must be kept on a leash and cleaned up after.