

**TOWN OF TREMONT
HARBOR COMMITTEE MEETING
HARVEY KELLEY MEETING ROOM
JULY 18, 2012**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The July 18, 2012 Tremont Harbor Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM, by Chairman Jon Crossman.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Chairman Jon Crossman, Harbor Committee Members Dean Wass, Mel Atherton, Spencer Ervin, Art Paine and Mike Ryan, Town Manager Millard Billings and Harbormaster David Schlaefer. Guests present were Chris Eaton and Hugh Gilley.

3. APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Harbor Committee Member Mike Ryan with a second by Spencer Ervin to approve the minutes of March 29, 2012 with the following three corrections:

1. On page 1 under item 4A, change the word "Susuki" to be "Suzuki".
2. On page 1 under item 4A, change the word "engineer" to be "engine".
3. On page 2 under item 5, change the word "where" to be "were".

Voted to approve the motion 6-0.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4A. HARBOR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO PLANNING BOARD FOR APPROVAL OF PLAN FOR BERNARD BOAT LAUNCH FACILITY EXPANSION

The application is for a permit to expand the existing Boat Launch Ramp Facility (Project #302) Bass Harbor, Tremont, Maine. The proposed expansion will add an additional ten feet of ramp (another row of concrete planks) on the northern side of the existing twenty six foot wide ramp. The existing ramp is 120 feet long and there will be no increase in length. Once the ramp is completed there will be six new floats, each float will be eight feet wide and twenty feet long, placed on the concrete planks on northern side of the new ramp. The Floats will be held in place by a bulkhead on the upland end and a series of three pilings placed along the northern side. The addition of the new floats on the new ten foot concrete planks will increase the traffic lane from eighteen feet to become twenty feet.

Motion by Harbor Committee Member Mel Atherton with a second by Art Paine, that the Tremont Harbor Committee approves the Town of Tremont application dated July 6, 2012 for an expansion to the Bass Harbor Boat Launch Ramp and recommends that the Tremont Planning Board approve the application.

5. OLD BUSINESS

5A. UPDATE ON ARMY CORPS APPLICATION TO INSTALL AND MAINTAIN ALL FLOATS, LOBSTER CARS IN BASS HARBOR, PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ENDS JULY 18, 2012

Town Manager Billings informed the Committee that today July 18, 2012 was the date that the period for Public Comment ended on the application. He also informed the Committee that he had called Jay Clement at ACOE to see if anyone had requested a Public Hearing and what our time frame would be for final approval, but that all he reached was an answering machine and he had left a message.

6. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

The Town Manager reported that the motor for the Harbormaster boat had been purchased from Lake and Sea Marine for \$9,000.00 and it was a Suzuki the same horsepower as the one that was taken off. The old engine had been retained by the Town because it was felt that the offer of \$300.00 for trade in value was too low. Another local boat motor supplier had also quoted a price but his price was higher.

7. HARBORMASTER REPORT

Harbormaster David Schlaefer reported that the motor for one of the hydraulic winches had broke down and he had ordered a replacement shipped overnight and had it installed.

He stated that as soon as Wid Minctons had his barge available in Bass Harbor that the Harbormaster was planning to have him relocate the piling for the hydraulic winch on the corner where the piggy-back dredge had been done. By moving that piling further forward along the side of the dock it would allow the winch to swing the other way so as to swing towards the truck body rather than away from the truck body. This change will allow trucks to park parallel to the edge of the dock and take up less space on the wharf.

The question of parking at the Wharf Garage and along the Rice Road by the Wharf Garage was asked by Harbor Committee Member Dean Wass; there has been an out of state car parked in that area as well as there used to be 3 extra parking spaces at the Building. It was decided to amend the Wharf Garage lease the next time it came up for renewal to address the parking spaces that were in the area of the Garage.

It was discussed as to the chances of getting a permit to fill more of the cove to increase parking at the wharf. The Harbor Committee asked the Town Manager to file an application to fill the cove to the extent of the original proposal when the Truck Turn Around was constructed.

8. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Harbor Committee Member Mel Atherton with a second by Spencer Ervin to adjourn the Harbor Committee Meeting at 5:54 PM. Voted 6-0 to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Millard Billings, Town Manager