



**TOWN OF TREMONT PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**THE TREMONT HARBOR COMMITTEE WILL HOLD PUBLIC**  
**HEARINGS 4:00 PM AT THE TREMONT TOWN OFFICE**  
**MONDAY MARCH 17th, 2014**  
**TO RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING PROPOSED CHANGES TO:**  
**1. THE TREMONT HARBOR MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE**  
**2. THE TREMONT WHARF & FACILITIES ORDINANCE**

**MINUTES**

*Public Hearings were opened at 4:19 pm*

*Mike Ryan opened with a review of the Wharf & Facilities Ordinance.*

*David Schlaefer spoke about the confusion in the price per-foot for vessels over 50 feet.*

*A change in the wording was proposed.*

*David Schlaefer asked if the lots at the wharf were combined yet?*

*Robert lee asked about the parking restrictions on Rice Road.*

*Jamie Thurlow asked for clarification on parking v. unloading?*

*Robert lee asked if the channel was to be marked?*

*Kim Strauss had questions about commercial vessels in the FNP and spoke about information received from Jay Clement at the Army Corps.(commercial boats are not restricted from the FNP)*

*David Schlaefer spoke in agreement with Mr. Strauss.*

*Mike Ryan spoke about the Corps requirements and the answers he has received.*

*Robert Lee asked about the words "may and shall" in relation to the location for lobster cars?*

*Many agreed that it would be good to invite Jay Clement to a future meeting.*

*Dean Wass spoke about other commercial boats, similar to Mr. Strauss's, that are on moorings now. (5 others)*

*Carlton Johnson asked about the riparian owner (of 100 or more feet of shore line) allowance for moorings?*

*Carl Young pointed out that the ordinance on page 10 indicates that the riparian benefit for moorings does not apply to the FNP.*

*Stewart Murphy asked about the assignment of floats and how to assign the other side of a person's float?*

*The removal of "and lobster cars" from (F) was proposed.*

*Doug Hodgdon questioned the construction, leasing & assignment of floats? Who pays who decides?*

*Peter Gott asked about resident vs. non-resident costs.*

*Mel Atherton clarified that moorings were first come on equal basis but Wharf permits had different costs.*

*Jamie Thurlow, Greg Dow & Mike Ryan discussed how floats should be built, owned, leased & assigned/*

*Dean Wass spoke about the possible problems with split use of floats and the concern with people renting out the use of their floats and that the proposed changes need more work and should not be pushed through.*

*Carl Young mentioned that the ordinance requires your boat be the only boat allowed on your mooring and agreed with the concerns expressed by Mr. Wass.*

*Kathryn Walsh spoke about the need to clarify the riparian owner rights.*

*Dean Wass spoke about concerns with the Harbor Master approving the use of empty moorings.*

*Carl Young mentioned that in the FNP mooring assignments are to be on first come first served basis and that the Harbor Master could assign a long vacant mooring to the next person on the waiting list.*

*Terry Town spoke in favor of the use of vacant moorings by those on the waiting list.*

*Mel Atherton spoke about the use of transient floats and vacant floats.*

*Art Pain clarified the waiting list procedures.*

*Jamie Thurlow asked about the prohibition relating to commercial docks having moorings.*

*Mel Atherton read an e-mail from Jay Clement concerning transfer of moorings.*

*Art Paine asked if the transfer of moorings was what concerned him?*

*Dean Wass indicated he had (2) other items that were of concern.*

*Jamie Thurlow spoke about what Jay Clements said regarding commercial docks having one mooring and that those paying much in taxes should not be prevented from using the FNP and that for years and years these uses have been allowed and now they are not.*

*Mel Atherton indicated there is no grandfathering in the FNP*

*Dean Wass spoke about the waiting list, he has many concerns, such as the first come first serve on an equal basis requirements and how that relates to what the individuals on the waiting list wish to have and the location of what they want.*

*Mike Ryan & Mel Atherton spoke about the waiting list procedures and how the Harbor Master & Committee might implement the list when there is an opening. (who to call when & what to offer)*

*Mel Atherton indicated that all those on the list would be called and offered what was available.*

*Dean Wass asked if the Harbor Committee was going to assign moorings to those on the waiting list if they want them.*

*Mike Ryan mentioned that the waiting list application asked the persons preference only.*

*Chris Eaton spoke about the use of floats to maximize the use of the harbor.*

*Carl Young spoke about the ordinance requirement that the Harbor Master & Harbor Committee assign all moorings and not the next person on the waiting list.*

*Doug Hodgdon felt that there were too many questions concerning the ordinance and it is not ready.*

*Kathryn Welsh asked if Jay Clement could come to a future meeting.*

*Mike Ryan indicated that he is going to vote, at the following meeting, to not forward the Ordinance to the Selectmen.*

*Kim Strauss asked about Page 12 A & B (commercial or not/ fishing or not)*

*Stewart Murphy spoke about spouse to spouse transfer being in accordance with MRSA Title 30-A)*

*Public hearings closed at closed at 6:14 pm.*

*See attached list for those in attendance.*

**A TOWN OF TREMONT  
HARBOR COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD  
DIRECTLY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**MINUTES**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:14 pm**
- 2. ROLL CALL: Mel Atherton, Art Paine, Spencer Ervin,**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of February 27th, 2014**

*Motion by Mike Ryan, to approve the minutes of February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014, second by Spencer Ervin.  
Vote 5 Yes 0 No*

**4. ACTION ON PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

*Motion by Mel Atherton, to forward the Amended Wharf & Facilities Ordinance to the Board of Selectmen requesting it be added to the Town meeting Warrant.*

**Vote 5 yes 0 No.**

*No vote to send the Harbor Management Ordinance to the Selectmen.*

- 5. TOWN MANAGER REPORT: None**
- 6. HARBOR MASTER REPORT: None**
- 7. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY COME IN LATE AND ARE FOR THE COMMITTEE'S INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY, NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN, UNLESS COMMITTEE REQUESTS IT BE PLACED ON AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING.**
- 8. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING**
- 9. ADJOURN: 6:19 pm**

*Minutes completed by:  
Carl Young, Town Manager*