

Eliot Harbor Commission
Minutes for the December 1, 2014



Meeting

Meeting was called to order 06:00 pm

Roll call

Present at the meeting were Lori Howell, Charles Rankie, Ben Brickett, Doug Anderson, B. Cabot Trott and Lee Emery. David Emery being absent the Chair appoints 1st alternate Lori Howell to fill in. Also attending the meeting were Harbor Master Richard Philbrick, Deputy Harbor Master Tom Phillips, Town Manager Dana Lee and Selectmen's liaison Grant Hirst.

Reading and approval of the minutes.

The minutes were discussed and errors and or omissions were made Charles Rankie made the motion to accept the minutes from the October 20, 2014 meeting as corrected. Lori Howell seconded the motion. The Chair called for the vote 5 members voted all were in favor motion past.

Harbor Masters Report

Richard reports that the Harbor plan will be heading off to Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission shortly. Richard also stated that the ordinance is a priority so that the town Manager has the appropriate time to post for public meetings. Discussion followed in which Dana stated the time frames and process to bring any changes to the ordinance up for the vote at town meeting.

Secretary Trott brings to the table the motion by Lori Howell from the previous month in reference to the order in which the meeting as well as the agendas will be set. Discussion followed asking if the meeting as well as the minutes would be in order Robert's Rules as previously discussed. Secretary Trott clarified the order to the chair as the following. Roll call, reading and approval of the minute, reports of officers, boards and standing committees, special reports of committees, special orders, unfinished business, new business and a motion to adjourn. Lori Howell takes the motion of the table and the chair brings it to a vote. 5 members voted all voted in favor motion pasted.

Reports of officers, boards and committees.

None to report

Special reports of committees.

None to report

Special orders

None

correction to application were brought up. After all was done the motion by Lori Howell and seconded by Cabot Trott. The motion reads to make the following changes to the draft of the application.

Phone number, emergency number, FOAA statement, customers name to applicant, removes "temp program" from the top, if it is a rental then answer following question, commercial/rental, make room for multiple boats, show registration of boat(s) to be on mooring. Five members voted all members voted in favor motion past.

Discussion started on workshops verses meeting and tackling the ordinance one section at a time. Dana Lee suggested that we should have our changes done for the board to see by the end of March 2015. This would allow time for posting of the public meeting and final for the Town meeting. Lori Howell requested a clean current copy of the State of Maine status referring to moorings. Cabot Trott made the motion to start with section four and five of the Eliot Harbor Ordinance at the next meeting, motion was seconded by Charlie Rankie. Discussion followed and the Chair called for a vote. Five members voted all voted in favor motion past.

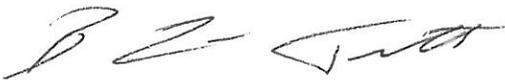
New business

The chair brought to the table the Harbor Masters budget for open discussion. Cabot Trott raised the question of why the Harbor Master budget was being brought up again after last month's meeting. Cabot reminded the chair that the discussion last meeting was how the budget wasn't the commission's job it was not in the bylaws nor did the commission have any authority. Charlie Rankie also pointed out that the bylaws state that the purpose of the commission is work on the ordinance. Harbor Master Richard Philbrick stated that it was more of a courtesy and would just assume hand to the Town Manger. Dana Lee the Town Manager agreed that it is more his job then the commission. Dana also asked how the members felt about the stipends for the Harbor Master and the Deputy. Charlie Rankie adds to the discussion and points out that the increase of this budget will increase the cost of a mooring permit. Lori Howell agreed with Charlie and estimates permit cost going up to one hundred dollars. More discussion followed.

Discussion on excise tax followed and how to enforce it within the town. Lee Emery brings up title 36 of the Maine Revenue tax code and the commission decided to review prior to further discussion.

A motion to adjourn was made by the chair and seconded by Charlie Rankie five members voted and all were in favor motion past 07:59pm.

Respectfully submitted



B. Cabot Trott Secretary Eliot Harbor Commission.