

MINUTES FOR HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, June 24, 2014

Present: Commissioners David Kircher, Tom Hudson, Elise Wright, Sandra Davis.
BIR- Dee McComb.

Absent: Bob Wise, Tina Ingalls. The meeting was called to order at 5:45 pm.

I. Approval of minutes: The minutes were approved for May 27th meeting.

II. Declaration of Conflict of Interest- none

III. Public Comment- none

IV. Harbor Stewards, Liaison and Harbormaster Reports

Harbormaster/Harbor Steward Report for period: May 27, 2014 – June 24, 2014

Safety and Navigation:

- Spoke at Boater Education class and KidiMu Stay Safe event.

Water Quality:

- June 4th sewage spill in Eagle Harbor. Alert goes out on City notices and Harbor Notices (use “notify me” from COBI website).
- Report of Sheen in Eagle Harbor—June 18th, 2014.

Anchoring and Mooring:

- Fielded visitor calls, boat reservations, and boat check.

Moorage Received:	MAY (\$)
Stays less than 3 hours	174
Overnight	630
Car top boater parking	20
No information	0
Offshore overnight	10
Reservation	100
Trailer Day Parking	267
Trailer Annual Parking	480
M-T-D 2014	\$1,681
YTD 2014	\$5,986
YTD PREV (2013)	\$6,469

Public Access/Information:

Current Dock Hosts 2014: Patti Madsen, Shirley Funk, Malia Kelly and Rich Seubert.

Maritime Events:

Tami reported on the Boater Fair, Small Boat Mess-about and Discover Boating event, and Dee reported on the Learn To Row day in-water portion on June 14th. There were 134 hotdogs served and those that attended made positive reports. Several volunteers

asked about next year's date avoiding graduation and father's day weekend. Tami reported that next year, Bainbridge Island will hold their Discover Boating day one week earlier—on June 6th, 2015.

Tami reported on the “stay safe” program June 21 she and Erich Schultz from USCG auxiliary help at the Kidimu. There were five in attendance, 100% of the occupants of the center at that time.

Tom reported 20 boats participating in the “Summer Sailtice” June 21 put on by Thom Hudson and Bob Schoonmaker in cooperation with the Sailing Foundation.

More to come in June:

06/27/14 Tami explained that the Marine 8 PD boat will staffed this weekend emphasizing sobriety when boating (Operation Drywater).

06/28/14 Rotary Auction for in-water vessels at City Dock. (no donations at the time of this writing)

FOURTH OF JULY ALERTS:

0730—dock closure for loading fireworks.

0830—streets closed. Access to ramp, with off site parking for boat trailer-combos—Shepard and Weaver.

2100 --Exclusion zone 1000' from fireworks barge that evening.

2200 --Fireworks

Derelict Vessel Prevention/Removal Program: Current vessels: WN8329W (removal).

Liikane Schooner (prevention), WN3735V (prevention).

Code Enforcement: Ongoing.

Anchoring Time Limits: 05/23/14 Thunderbird in Port Madison, removed by owner.

Buoy Permits: Ongoing.

Vessel Registration: Ongoing.

Boat-Trailer Parking and Moorage: 2014 passes available. 32 sold in 2014.

Customer Service: Boaters can now pay moorage and parking on the City's website:

www.bainbridgewa.gov

V. Update on City Dock re-development

David Kircher and Tami Allen attended the City Council meeting May 27th to hear the discussion about the next steps on Waterfront Park Dock: 30% design and RCO grant application.

David sent electronic copies of materials supplied to the Council (agenda packet 5/27/14) and the recap below to be inserted in the minutes.

Barry Loveless, the Public Works Director, presented the 30% design for the dock and responded to questions. Concerns raised by Council members included whether the rowers and sailors had provided input on the design (yes). One Council member

expressed some doubts about the need for the low level float and wanted the City to have some flexibility on the float.

Barry explained the RCO wouldn't respond favorably to changes from the design included in the grant application. Another member asked about the pile location and whether that would interfere with carrying the rowing shells down the dock. That question will be addressed off line.

The Council voted unanimously to approve the resolution. The city will submit a grant application to RCO by the July 1 deadline.

Tami updated the group that she has had some communication with the design team on specific research questions (earlier stats, vessel information and ramp information). Tami explained that while she is out of state, her supervisor, Bob Day will field the day to day tasks for Tami. Tami will give Lt. Day and Barry Loveless contact information for David Kircher and Bob Wise as contacts in her absence.

VI. 2014 Work Plan -

The Commissioners reviewed the standing work plan.

Item #7 Sandra will continue to work on the appendix to the HMP.

Item #8 Comprehensive Plan was added as one of the planning process to which the Commission would assign a liaison. Elise offered to add it to her tasks.

Item #9 Tami added "Prevention" to the Derelict Vessel Removal Program.

New item: #16 (TBD) Monitor Harbor Commission/Harbor Notices presence on the City's Website.

2014 Work Plan (June 24, 2014)

1. (All) The Harbor Commission will continue this year to support the improvement of the City Dock, key elements of which are:
 - 1.1 liaise with the Bainbridge Island Rowers (BIR), Sailing Team (BIPRD), the kayak concessionaire, and trailer boat representatives regarding the proposed City Dock and launch ramp, and
 - 1.2 liaise with City Council and the City Management to ensure the design for the City Dock supports the needs of various users, and
 - 1.3 track and support the City's progress with RCO grants and permitting of the new dock.
2. (Elise Wright) continue to work with the Road Ends Committee on ways of enhancing and promoting publicly owned waterfront amenities that benefit the Island's citizens.
3. (TBD) Encourage the City Council to pass the revised Ordinance and Resolution that pertain to all waters of Bainbridge Island that the HC developed with the City Attorney in October 2011.
4. (All) review navigational and safety issues of private docks in the waters of Bainbridge Island during the pre-application process of the City Planning Department.
5. (All and Complete for 2014) Support Council to identify, recruit and appoint Harbor Commission members to fill open positions as promptly as possible.

6. (All) encourage the participation of Harbor Commissioners, Harbor Stewards and other interested parties to volunteer at the Information Kiosk and to be a Dock Host at Waterfront Park and City Dock during seasonally busy periods in 2014. Explore options with the City Management to provide a Dock Host during the busy summer season.
7. (TBD and Sandra) prepare an updated 2014 Appendix to the 1999 Harbor Management Plan with input from passed Commissioners since 2010.
8. ((TBD and Elise Wright) with the assistance of the City management continue to monitor the City's Shoreline Master Program and Comprehensive Plan update process as it applies to harbor related elements, including the City Dock and Waterfront Park.
9. (Tami Allen) assist the Marine Police when requested in the Derelict Vessel Prevention and Removal Program.
10. (All) continue to educate, advocate and assist the City in the buoy enforcement program.
11. (Sandra Davis) coordinate with Sustainable Bainbridge's Prepared Neighborhoods Initiative and others regarding the use of the Island's harbors and waterways in the event of a natural or manmade emergency/disaster.
12. (Tom Hudson, Elise Wright) encourage Bainbridge Island boaters to sign up for the Emergency Flotilla.
13. (All) Review City Code BIMC 12.40.060 regarding a uniform speed limit in Island Bays & Harbors, paying special attention to Manzanita Bay, and implement a public outreach process prior to recommending any action by City Council.
14. (All) Consider the remaining recommendations of the Harbor Stewards in their 2014 Report and take appropriate action.
15. (All) Work with BI Parks District and City Management to identify potential sites for a new/improved trailer boat launch ramp facility at Fort Ward or elsewhere.
- 16.(All) Monitor Harbor Commission and Harbor presence on the City website.

VII. Increase of vessels on the Emergency Response List – Tami reported that she will be doing a presentation to local planning agencies on the City's emergency flotilla sometime in September.

Next Meeting: The Commission agreed to postpone July's meeting to August 19th, 2014. Assuming the new Commissioners are on board by the August 19th meeting, the Commissioners and public will have a farewell for outgoing Commissioners, David Kircher and Tina Ingalls at the San Carlos Restaurant following the meeting. Tami will post the notice with the August agenda.

Meeting adjourned 6:50 pm.

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