

Saco Coastal Waters Commission

April 2, 2013

7:00 P.M. Saco City Hall

I. Call Meeting to Order & Roll Call of Members. At 7:00pm a Saco Coastal Waters Commission Meeting was held at City Hall. The members present constituted a quorum. The members present: Chairman James Katz, Vice-Chairman James Henderson, Secretary Robert Steeves, Council liaison Philip Blood, Tom Casamassa, Eric Gates, John Nickerson III, and Dock Steward Norman Spaulding. Excused from the meeting were Carl Lagerstrom, Steve Reece, and Harbormaster Daniel Chadbourne.

II. Elect officers for 2013 including Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. James Henderson made a nomination that was seconded by Tom Casamassa that the current chairs of the Coastal Waters Commission stay the same. The nomination passes unanimously.

III. Familiarize members with the recently accepted Chapter 118 changes. The changes made in order to get a mooring permit is the same as trying to get a business license in the city, all personal property and real-estate taxes must be paid and current.

IV. Discuss change to Chapter 4 to remove term limits from CWC. Tom Casamassa made a motion that was seconded by James Henderson that the secretary cast one vote for slate of officers. Robert Steeves voted that the officers stay.

V. Status of Fire Department Response Boat. Capital equipment is on a schedule to be replaced. The fire boat was not scheduled to be replaced for another two years but when the boat sank; it needed to be replaced sooner. There has not been anything purchased yet but the City is looking into some options.

James Henderson made a motion that was seconded by John Nickerson III that the Coastal Waters Commission is in favor of the city purchasing a new fire boat. The vote was passed unanimously.

VI. Projects:

A. SHIP Grant work progress on Camp Ellis Pier.

Barney Baker has contracted documents for the work to the pier. Bids will go out this month and bid selection will be in May. Work will start when allowed to after November 9, 2013. The work will progress from November thru April 2014.

B. US Army Corps of Engineers Dredging Update.

C. Build Launching Ramp/Gangwalk Grant Status

D. Condition of downriver gangway at pier at low tide

E. Discuss camera resolution and placement. The resolution of the camera is not as good as the committee hoped for. The camera would need to have a remote control zoom and someone watching the monitor 24/7 in order to catch inappropriate activity.

VII. Financial report. (If available)

VIII. Any additional items. Update on the Fuel shed: John Ellis has shown interest in taking over the fuel shed and installing a credit card pump. He was trying to work out the liability coverage between himself and the City. The Harbormaster was also trying to set up a meeting with Public Works to discuss liability. Public works checked with Cheryl Fournier, City of Saco Finance Director, to check with the City insurance to see what the city covers and what the private party needs to cover. A formal written agreement with John Ellis and the City of Saco will need to be made on what the proper duties of the fuel shed should be. Fuel would also need to be delivered by a licensed fuel provider.

IX. Adjournment. The next meeting will be set for the first Tuesday in May. May 7, 2013. John Nickerson III made the motion to adjourn, Robert Steeves seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.