

Saco Coastal Waters Commission

June 3rd, 2014

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, John Nickerson III, Steve Reece, Tom Casamassa, Dock Steward Norman Spaulding, Harbor Master Daniel Chadbourne. Excused was Secretary Robert Steeves. Also absent was Treasurer Carl Lagerstrom, Public Works liaison Eric Gates and Council liaison Kevin Roche.

II. Review and approve the minutes from the previous meetings. Tom Casamassa made the motion to approve the minutes from the May meeting. John Nickerson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

III. Seaweed Presentation by Tim Harder. Tim Harder is a working on a Kelp farming project for UNE. He wants to farm in the water near Ram and Eagle Islands. The farming would not interfere with fisherman. The Coastal Waters Commission gave Mr. Harder their approval and support of his project.

IV. Discussion of charter boat pier permit utilization. The committee needs to consider what to do with charters that pay for the pier use permit and don't utilize it during the season. Since there are so many boats and not a lot of permits the committee needs to find a solution that is fare to all. The commission split into two subcommittees: The "Charter Boat Review Committee" that is made up with Harbor Master Dan Chadbourne, Chairman Jim Katz, Vice-Chairman James Henderson, and John Nickerson. The other sub-committee is the "Fuel Committee" that is to determine the best use of the fuel shed. That committee is made up by Robert Steeves, Tom Casamassa, and Harbor Master Dan Chadbourne. The sub-committees are to meet during the summer months and have something to bring to the table at the next meeting in the fall. John Nickerson made the motion to pass the sub-committees, Steve Reece seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.

V. Five Year Plan continuing discussion.

VI. Any other business as may come before the commission.

VII. Set next meeting date. The next meeting will be set for September 2nd.

VIII. Adjourn. Tom Casamassa made the motion, seconded by James Henderson; motion passed unanimously.