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Waterways Management Advisory Board
Regular Meeting
Tuesday December 13, 2022, at 4pm

CALL TO ORDER – Roy Myers opened the meeting at 4:02 pm.

Present: Roy Myers, Dink Daffin, John Marrah, Mark Van Fleet, Town Administrator Rob Straebel, staff Kris Kakabar. Mark Welsh was not in attendance.

Member Marrah motioned to approve the minutes of November 8, 2022, as submitted, motion seconded by Member Van Fleet, and passed unanimously on a vote of 4-0.

Chairman Myers provided an update of the Town Commissioners approval of Chapter 101 and Chapter 333.

David Parkerson – 219 E. Chew Avenue bulkhead request provided a plot of the area for the board. The plan is to replace the 40-year-old bulkhead and pilings with new in the same location and elevating the bulkhead 18” above the present level. His contractor Wilson & Reese is also providing a cost estimate using vinyl. The plot shows 1 town boat slip adjacent to Mr. Parkerson bulkhead and the town alley. Mr. Parkersons goal is to expedite the project this winter.

Chairman Myers said he notified Rob Straebel of the situation and asked if the town slips at the end of E. Chestnut Street could be replaced at the same time as Mr. Parkerson.

Chairman Myers noted the existing bulkhead was approved in compliance with the code at time of installation and therefore if repairing in the exact place (including pilings) it could be permitted.

Chairman Myers suggested:

- Contact Brett Jett from GMB to confirm the 18” increase is appropriate, set up a meeting on site the first week of January.
- Speak to Town Administrator regarding the rebuild of slip at the end of the town slip #52 at an estimated cost of \$7,000. Coordinate work with any future grants.
- Contact Dani Walton of Lane Engineering – regarding MDE and -DNR permits since there is no change from the existing design. Mr. Parkerson to contact Dani Walton to provide a formal engineered drawing and ask if the presented permit will suffice.

Member Marrah spoke of 333-4B(1): Exemptions.

This chapter is not intended to deprive a riparian owner of any use, right or privilege associated with riparian ownership of land; or any waterway improvement which was lawfully installed or placed at a fixed location on the date on which this chapter took effect at such location, and which waterway improvement has continued to be so placed at such location without interruption.

Chairman Myer cited 333-16 C: Permit requirements for the repair/replacement of waterway improvements.

(1) Application. Any person who wishes to repair or replace a shoreline improvement, as defined in § 333-5 herein, due to natural wear and tear, storm damage, ice damage or other casualty shall apply for a zoning certificate. Repair or replacement of the structure must be done without expanding the size of the structure or, in the event of replacement, without changing the location. Replacement pilings and piers must be returned to their exact locations or as reasonably possible. Bulkhead replacement shall be constructed no more than 18 inches water ward of the existing bulkhead and shall not result in any encroachments beyond the harbor development line. In completing the application for the zoning certificate, all information as required on the form shall be

provided, in addition to a statement of why the repair or replacement is necessary, together with any drawings of the contemplated repair and/or replacement...”

Matters for Discussion:

Proposed Harbor signage – signage placements on the pilings in the locations (B or C) suggested on drafted diagram by Chairman Myers. Signs need to be narrow in alignment with pilings. Suggested language: **Permitted Slip Holders Only**. Member Van Fleet will draft verbiage and placement of 2 signs at Honeymoon Bridge and 6 on W. Harbor Road. Signage at Back Creek Park- Reserved for DNR Patrol Boat and Waterman Parking Only.

Update and discuss slip layout- Slip 1 and 2 will now be leased affective 1.1.2023. Staff directed to relocate waterman interested in moving from honeymoon bridge to slip 1 or 2.

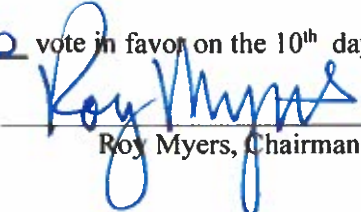
Proposed Harbor Water Spigots- Chairman Myers commented that Rob Straebel included the project in the Capital budget for 2024. Member Dink & Marrah discussed locations of the spigots.

Member Van Fleet is interested in additional training on lateral lines and the code, Member Marrah reviewed the guidelines on lateral lines.

Top board replacement- Chairman Myers and Member Van Fleet agreed to draft a letter to present to town administrator Rob Straebel to include signs (verbiage and placement), spigots, board replacement with designs on how to install cleat board and update slip layout.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.

Minutes approved as submitted by 3-0 vote in favor on the 10th day of January 2023.



Roy Myers, Chairman