Wiscasset Waterfront Committee Meeting Minutes September 12, 2023

Those present were Susan, Dick, Frank, Terry, Larry and Callie. Present from the Working Waterfront Group was David Stapp.

The meeting was called to order at 5:03pm.

Previous minutes were not approved due to lack of a quorum.

The pump-out has been installed and been used a few times. A discussion was had in regards to establishing a schedule. Harbormaster will contact other harbormasters that have pump outs available to inquire about how they operate as far as a schedule or appointments.

There was a brief discussion on the volunteers at the Waterfront, seems to be working out as intended and if there is continued interest then it should continue next season.

David Stapp informed the Committee the Working Waterfront Group has completed their presentation on the future of the waterfront. They have been scheduled to present to the Committee at the next meeting on October 10th.

The Harbormaster discussed with the Committee that the boat launch fees continue to come in with no major issues. A dingy sunk at the dock and was recovered. There was a brief discussion on future use of the dock for dingy tie ups for non mooring holders. Overnight parking at the waterfront will soon be by permission only.

The Committee had a discussion on offseason tie up to the recreational dock. Dick reported that the Virigina will be returning in the second half of November through May. Peter Blachly requested from the Committee permission to tie up his 32ft boat from November to March. The Committee approved both boats for the offseason usage at \$40/foot. They will both contact the Harbormaster prior to their arrival and payment will be due up front. The Harbormaster will make sure Public Works is aware for float repairs and inquire about the current status of power.

Terry shared with the Committee the passenger rail update. A trial run for Bath will take place October 7th and 8th. The plan is for stops in Wiscasset and Damariscotta. They do not have a regular schedule yet but updates can be obtained online.

The Waterfront Committee meetings will return to a monthly schedule instead of bi-monthly.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50pm