

HARBOR COMMITTEE
Town of Bar Harbor
MINUTES – Regular Meeting Monday, January 13, 2020

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER – 4:00 p.m., Bar Harbor Council Chambers, Municipal Building.
In Attendance: Lynne Williams, Pancho Cole, Val Peacock, Bob Garland, Larry Nuesslin, Jeff Miller, Jaime Weir, Jon Carter Chris Maller (late), Facilitator Ron Beard and Charlie Phippen
Absent: Gary Fagan, Sherry Rasmussen

ITEM 2: APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MINUTE- approved unanimously.

ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF AGENDA- The Agenda was adopted unanimously.

ITEM 4: OLD BUSINESS: None.

ITEM 5: NEW BUSINESS:

A. Frenchman Bay Boating Company review of proposed Theede Pier east of Bogue Chitto.

The committee heard a presentation of the proposed pier by Bob Collier who represented the owners. After discussion, the committee saw no issues impacting traffic, existing uses, or fishing activities.

Motion: The harbor committee see no unreasonable aspects of the proposed Theede Pier at Bogue Chitto as presented. Approved unanimously.

B. Presentation by Greg Johnston of GF Johnston Engineering of RFP/RFQ for site evaluation at the Ferry Terminal.

Greg Johnston presented the raft RFQ. The approach is task oriented which leaves it up to the contractors to propose the process that they will use to achieve the tasks. The RFP is limited to the substructure-beyond the land.

Decisions through discussion:

1. Include a boundary survey in the RFP
2. Do not include a cost/ budget estimate in the RFP
3. Timing: try to make it due March 27th

Other thoughts:

- The Committee is thankful for Greg’s expertise in this area. We will continue to need his help as we evaluate proposals
- The estimated time to do the work and give us the evaluation after we accept a proposal is about 6 months
- There is money in the town budget to pay for this work

Motion: Ask Greg to finalize the draft including our comments and send to next steps. Unanimously approved.

C. Future planning discussion to develop a time line for Committee work on the Ferry Terminal site in the coming year.

The committee discussed the possible timeline for the Ferry Terminal development work. Discussion points included:

- Can we move forward without knowing the condition of the existing structure?

- Yes, we need to know what we want to have at the terminal, then we can see how the existing structure supports the plan. We have direction from the Ferry Terminal Advisory Committee
- How do the potential costs factor into our planning?
- We have enlarged the Harbor Committee to do this work. Can we use subcommittees?
- We also have to keep in mind that we have to change the LUO to build anything over 300’.
- Suggestion for the committee to take time to think about it and come back with suggestions at next meeting
- We still need to look to tendering at the terminal. The Harbor Committee has been focused on moving cruise ship traffic to the terminal.

ITEM 6: PUBLIC COMMENT: none

ITEM 7: ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Bring ideas forward about potential timeline and process to move forward.

ITEM 8: Motion to adjourn at 5:10pm approved unanimously.