Harbor Committee Town of Bar Harbor Meeting Minutes Monday, May 13, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 4 p.m., Town Council Chambers, Bar Harbor Municipal Building,

Committee members present: Lynne Williams, Larry Nuesslein, Pancho Cole, Val Peacock, Bob Garland, Chris Maller, Jon Carter, Gary Fagan, Sherry Rasmussen Facilitator Ron Beard was also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes approved ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Agenda adopted.

OLD BUSINESS: There was none

NEW BUSINESS:

Rockland Harbormaster Matt Ripley was invited to discuss his thoughts on municipal marina operations and other issues in his experience. Municipal marina maintenance was \$60,000 in 2018. They break even on 16 municipal moorings. Guests are transient as they accept no reservations. Rockland hired 4 dock stewards to work the waterfront. They have no fueling but have water, electric and pump out. No debt is being carried at this time. They are working on improving the Commercial Fish Pier. Boat Launch is 100 feet long. Fees for use are \$20 locals/\$40 non-locals/\$250 for commercial. Rockland hired a development director to work with the harbormaster on grants. 2018 they put out for 7 grants and were awarded 5 (2 federal). The town receives \$10 per head for passengers on cruise ships. Rockland is working on a Harbor Management Plan that will be finished by the end of 2019. They will share their findings with Bar Harbor.

B. Bureau of Parks and Lands request for comments concerning the DeLaar Dock System Proposal was discussed. A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to approve by a vote of 9 to 0.

C. Citizens initiatives Article 4 and Article 5 were discussed.

The committee did not take a vote on Article 4.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved for the committee to vote on Article 5 by a vote of 9 to 0.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved that the Harbor Committee recommends rejection of Article 5 by a vote of 9 to 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT was accepted.

Committee member Bob Garland briefly discussed work he has done on land-based transportation of downtown-bound cruise ship passengers.

ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: Monday, July 8th, 4 pm. Items will be announced in July agenda.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm