

ELLSWORTH ME HARBOR COMMISSION MINUTES

4 - 23 - 2025

Meeting Commenced @ 1800 hrs. Ellsworth City Hall (FD training Rm).

Present: Todd Bailey (HM *Pro Temp*), Mark Remick, Fred Ehrlenbach, Christina Petros, James Bergin, Jeff Gordon.
Michelle Beal, (*City Council*).
Sara Devlin, (*Administration*)

Minutes: Read and approve

Harbormaster Report: Monthly Report read and approved. Other improvements: Pergola with cement base in work to be installed in Harbor park, trees to be planted where appropriate in proximity to parking area, Public works scheduled to paint bath house, parking area paving near finishing, with new parking stripes to come after consideration of changing position of parking angles to affect traffic flow. The Commission Chair distributed a list of qualifications for the position of HM as part of the study for HM responsibilities to include management of fresh water resources.

Other requests: New sign saying, *NO OVERNIGHT PARKING WITHOUT PERMISSION OF HARBORMASTER*

HM will research and compile a list of Mooring holders, and a current waiting list for slips.

Dredge Update: Army Corp continues to research options for spoils disposal, and is considering an on-shore location where spoils toxicity meets contaminant requirements. A reconfigured travel channel is also being considered by the Corp to potentially help keep the channel clear as a result of boating traffic. The Coast Guard will collaborate. Due to the variable dynamics of the Dredge project, going forward, the Deputy City Manager has generously offered to update the Harbor Commission of the Dredge project as it continues to evolve, subsequent to her scheduled meetings with the Army Corp.

City Council: Suggestion to reevaluate configuration of stripes in Paved parking area.

Financial: City Manager requests a flat budget as well as some funding for certain capital projects. Harbor revenues shown as part of the general fund. Separate funding activities are to be shown in a separate account. Alewives income be accounted for in Harbor revenue.

Next Meeting: Fourth Wednesday of May 28, 2025, Ellsworth City Hall (FD Training Rm)

Meeting Adjourned 1900 hrs.

James Bergin