

HARBOR COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE: Thursday, January 18, 2024

TIME: 6:30 PM

LOCATION: TOWN OFFICE

In- Person & Zoom

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AGENDA

1. Meeting called to order, establish a quorum.
2. Vote on minutes of October 19, 2023
3. Anyone wishing to address the Harbor Committee
4. Harbor Masters' reports
5. Discussion of a duty of Harbor Master & Deputy Harbor Master. According to a Town Ordinance, the Harbor Master & Deputy Harbor Master **shall serve as the overseer of the Town's waterfront facilities**, including piers, floats, docks, inclines, and any other waterfront facility the Town may acquire.

§ 142-16 Duties. [Amended 11-20-2019]

In addition to the duties prescribed under Title 38 of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, the Harbor Master and Deputy Harbor Master shall serve as the overseer of the Town's waterfront facilities, including piers, floats, docks, inclines, and any other waterfront facility the Town may acquire. The HM and DHM shall make recommendations to the Harbor Committee for the maintenance of and improvements to all Town-owned waterfront facilities. The Harbor Master and Deputy Harbor Master shall have full authority to enforce, to the full extent permitted by law, all harbor regulations affecting the waterfront.

.§ 142-25 Violations and penalties.[Amended 11-20-2019]

- A. Whoever violates any of the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to penalties pursuant to the provisions of 30-A M.R.S.A. § 4452. The minimum penalty for a specific violation shall be \$100 for each day or part thereof of violation to be recovered on complaint before the District Court. Each day such a violation is continued after receipt of notice from the HM or DHM as outlined in Subsection **B** below may be considered a separate offense.
- B. Violators of this chapter shall be notified, first by one warning per six-month period, followed either by written citation or other means, by the Harbor Master, the Deputy Harbor Master, or other duly authorized law enforcement officer of the violation and instructed to correct said violation immediately.
- C. Anyone refusing to follow any lawful order of the Harbor Master or the Deputy Harbor Master in the lawful performance of their duties shall be guilty of a Class E crime pursuant to 38 M.R.S.A. § 13 and subject to a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or a maximum of six months' imprisonment to be recovered on complaint by the Harbor Master before the District Court.

- 6. Report on MDMR regional meeting where improved communications between MDMR and towns was discussed.
- 7. Discussion of the need to acquire a seaworthy boat to transport Health Center patients to Lincolnville, and for use by the Harbor Master & Deputy Harbor Master in the performance of their duties.

Note: Currently Islesboro does not have a contract for a water taxi to make emergency runs to the mainland, volunteers provide that service. In the past, the Town had a contract for Quicksilver services, now it is up for sale. Generally speaking, the boat should be seaworthy, able to accept a gurney, have a cover and meet the standard as specified by Health Center medical Director and Ambulance Service, and equipment specified by Ambulance Service and Health Center.

- 8. Discussion of developing a Comprehensive Harbor Plan
- 9. Motion to adjourn.