

# APPROVED

**Harbor Committee Meeting  
Town Office Meeting Room  
4 Pump Street  
January 11th, 2017, 7:00 pm  
MINUTES**

Members Present

Alan McKinnon, *Chair*

Paul Bryant, *Harbor Master*

Steven Hufnagel

Gisela Heimsath-Rhodes

Eric Peters

Members Excused

David Lawrence

Michael Herz

Attendee: Bernie DeLisle

The meeting began at 7:00 pm.

1. Bernie DeLisle shared concerns he has about weekend boaters and kayakers in the inner harbor. The working boats know what to do but many of the weekend boaters are novices. He is concerned about the kayakers' safety. Should there be more markers in the channels? Suggests speaking with the kayak rental place about warning kayakers about the potential dangers.
2. Past minutes were reviewed.
3. Damariscotta Ordinance for the Operation of the Town Landing was discussed. Damariscotta asked the Committee to review it.
4. Gisela Heimsath-Rhodes brought up the the potential danger of jet skis. They go too fast as do some motor boats. Jet ski volume is not yet considered an issue.
5. All problems in the harbor are exacerbated by the tides and current.
6. Use of landing reserved for mooring dinghies was discussed. Working boats are illegally being kept on the side of the landing reserved for the dinghies. There is no enforcement.
7. Discussion of whether to have a dinghy only fee - not connected to a mooring. Is there demand?
8. Currently there are no "no wake" signs at Cottage Point. Believe if they existed, it could make a difference. Again however, the problem of lack of enforcement.
9. Committee will buy channel markers for inner harbor from Walker Point to Schooner Landing. Paul Bryant will install them.
10. Discussed impact of early season enforcement to make a point then back off.
- 11, Enforcement of Mooring renewals: In July have Ken Vinal contact non compliers
- 12, Discussion of mooring renewal procedure.
- 13, Meetings for the rest of the year decided: April 12th, June 14th, October 11th.

14,. Alan to speak with Jon Duke about secretarial needs.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Mundy  
Recording Secretary

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 12th, 7:00 pm, Town Office, 4 Pump Street**



