

**Village of Egg Harbor  
Harbor Committee Meeting Minutes  
May 26, 2021 at 10:00 AM**

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1. Call to Order
  - a. Robert Dickson called the meeting to order at 10:01am.
  - b. Committee members present: Robert Dickson, Robert Dunworth, Bill Freyman, Carl Klug
  - c. Absent: Denny Phillips
  - d. Staff present: Ali Gibbs, Tom Strong, Megan Sawyer
  - e. Audience members: Matt Bauer, John Heller
  
2. Approve Agenda
  - a. Bill Freyman moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Carl Klug
  - b. Motion unanimously carried.
  
3. Approve April 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes
  - a. Bill Freyman moved to approve the minutes as amended. Seconded by Bob Dickson.
  - b. Motion unanimously carried.
  
4. Open Session (Limit 10 minutes)
  - a. *Ali Gibbs introduced Matt Bauer, the new F3 Operations Manager.*
  - b. *Matt Bauer provided background information about himself.*
  - c. *Ali Gibbs is looking into a bait vending machine since the gas station is no longer in Egg Harbor. We are getting a lot of requests. I'm doing research for options and pricing.*
  - d. *Bob Dickson recommended looking for an option that operates it for us, with the Marina getting a percentage.*
  
5. F3 Reports
  - a. *Ali Gibbs: Provided an overview of the F3 reports and recent Marina activity as presented in the packet. Water levels are down 17" from last year. I am waiting to hear from UW Oshkosh about the Seabin. Daily launch fees are up 83% from last year. We purchased new*

*American Flags but those are reimbursed. Repairs for the golf cart are less than expected.*

- b. John Heller: Do you use the golf cart to transport boaters to the parking lot at the dog park to the Marina?*
- c. Ali Gibbs: We do not due to liability reasons.*
- d. Bob Dickson: Is the vacant slip still a situation?*
- e. Ali Gibbs: No. We were able to fill that slip so we gave them a refund. We kept the \$750 deposit per policy.*
- f. Bob Dickson agreed that is appropriate.*
- g. Bill Freyman asked about deck boards curling on the edges.*
- h. Ali Gibbs: This is ongoing maintenance. We have a few more to replace. We are on that.*
- i. Ali Gibbs: Regarding financials, all the slips are paid in full.*

## 6. Correspondence

- a. Bob Dickson summarized an email from Ken Mathys requesting a reduced rate for a second seasonal launch pass, citing the county discounts that fee by 50%. I don't know how often this comes up.*
- b. Ali Gibbs: I have had only a few requests. For commercial options we charge the non resident rate at \$140.*
- c. Bob Dickson: So for the commercial people we are doing just that.*
- d. Bill Freyman: I think it would be a nice perk to offer Village residents discounted second passes at half price. It isn't going to hurt us and there won't be that many.*
- e. Bob Dickson: I agree. We should update our policy and update our fee schedule for the following boating season. Ali, you can draft this for the committee to review.*
- f. Bill Freyman: Can we do this for this season? There can't be more than one or two. Why not just do it and have it in effect this year.*
- g. Ali Gibbs: I have just one request. He has not purchased his second pass yet. He is a village resident.*
- h. Megan Sawyer cautioned against changing the policy today as it is not an agenda item. We could have it ready for the June meeting and move it forward then.*
- i. Bob Dickson asked to have this drafted and added to the June agenda.*
- j. Bob Dickson summarized the communication from Lori Nicholas.*
- k. Bill Freyman commented that the Marina is a public asset that pays off in a lot of ways. It draws in fishermen and tourists. This committee has always tried to be minimalists, viewing it as open*

*parking with the exception of the busiest weekends. Boaters pay a lot of money for a slip, and they at least need to be able to unload.*

*Boaters need some access because even the 15-minute parking spots get parked up. Boaters at least need a place to unload. I'm strongly in favor of a limited parking policy that provides some spaces for the busiest weekends.*

- l. Ali Gibbs indicated those busiest weekends are mainly Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day. We are busier every weekend actually with the parking lot filling up on Thursday.*
- m. Bill Freyman asked if we can protect those 15-minute spots for loading and unloading so boaters can get in there. People just park there.*
- n. Bob Dickson recommended we change those signs to unloading zone only signs. We would have to police that.*
- o. Bill Freyman commented that the boaters are customers of the Village. There should be some provision for boaters on the busiest days.*
- p. John Heller mentioned that 80% of the budget goes to the boaters exclusively. I'm not opposed to restricting it to some extent on the busiest weekends. Other than that, I am opposed to any restrictions.*
- q. Bill Freyman sees it as similar to other parks and beaches that don't pay for themselves, with the note that this operation generates income to support itself and, in a few years, will be generating income for the Village.*
- r. John Heller indicated the taxpayers have been paying for it for 20 years.*
- s. Robert Dunworth asked how effective issuing tickets has been and how much Marina staff time has been involved?*
- t. Bob Dickson indicated it's unrealistic to think we will chase people out. We have only blocked off parking on the busiest weekend.*
- u. Bill Freyman stated he isn't suggesting we completely block it off. I'm simply saying boaters need to be able to get in there on the busiest days.*
- v. Bob Dickson commented that this is a fluent situation that we need to keep an eye on it. We've gone back and forth on this point. Maybe we should start with changing the 15-minute signs to unloading only signs.*
- w. John Heller suggested we add financial and parking details to the slip rental contract. I believe some of the confusion is that slip renters don't understand the finances behind the marina facility. The*

*language should state that it is a public facility and state that parking and the breakwater are open to the public.*

- x. Bob Dickson agreed, asking Ali to put this together for the committee to review.*

#### 7. July 3rd and 4th Events Update

- a. Bob Dickson provided an update that the Trustees approved moving forward with July 3rd and 4th events. We will be back to our normal procedures. Ali and her staff will restrict parking access for that weekend and restrict access to the docks for the fireworks.*

#### 8. Restroom Pillar Quote

- a. Bob Dickson provided an overview of the Restroom Pillar quote as presented in the packet. We have just one quote from Jeff Meyer. We did not budget for this.*
- b. Bill Freyman expressed support for the concept in general.*
- c. Ali Gibbs clarified that the \$11,000 quote is for both replacing the posts and painting the building. If we only replace the pillars that would be \$6,450.*
- d. Bob Dickson stated that there is usually a 50/50 split with Parks and Public Works. That would get us to around \$3,250 and we might have some budget offsets, so we don't go into unbudgeted funds.*
- e. Ali Gibbs commented that we had \$2,000 budgeted for the 2021 boat show that was cancelled and \$2,500 for new merchandise that we didn't need to purchase.*
- f. Megan Sawyer said we can line this up for the Parks and Public Works meeting on June 2nd. Per Village Policy, any expense that is \$1,000 to \$15,000 is that we need to get three quotes. We will need additional quotes before moving forward. We will have to look at the Parks and Public Works budget to see if that flexibility is there.*
- g. Bob Dickson suggested we cut it down to just the pillars. By the time we get quotes this might be pushed to next year anyway. The posts are not load bearing, so we have some time.*
- h. Ali Gibbs said there is one post that is unstable that needs to be looked at soon.*
- i. Bob Dickson requested to have Parks and Public Works staff take care of that post immediately as a safety concern.*

#### 9. Open Session (Limit 10 minutes)

- a. No Comments.*

10. Next Meeting Time and Date

- a. June 23, 2021 10:00 AM

11. Adjourn

- a. Robert Dickson moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bob Dunworth.
- b. Motion unanimously carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:36am.

Minutes completed by Tom Strong on May 29, 2021. Submitted for approval on June 23, 2021.