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## The Harbor and Waterfront Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, 10/19/.2023

7:00 pm

Police Station Conference Room

Jackson Schultz, Steve Speranza, Whisky, Scott McBurney (virtual), Lisa Boemer, Amy Powell, Ulf Westhoven, Alan VanArsdale, Peter Spellios (virtual), Jocelyn Cook, Jay Borkland and John McAllister from McAllister Engineering.

Guests: Jocelyn Cook, Liz Smith, Toni Bandrowicz (virtual) and Colleen Hitchcock (virtual)

- 1) The meeting began with a few announcements:
  - a) HWAC will have a booth at the upcoming Indoor Farmer's Market at the High School on November 19 from 10am-1pm.
  - b) The Metropolitan Beaches Commission (MBC) will be holding their Annual Hearing on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 10am-12pm at the State House.
- 2) The discussion then moved to approve HWAC's annual report which was unanimously approved and sent on to the Town Clerk, Jared LaLiberte.
- 3) With Liz Smith in attendance, discussion moved to the pollution not only at Kings Beach but also at Fishermen's Beach as well.
- 4) The next agenda item was the discussion of the two locations for the proposed new pier. After a spirited discussion, Alan asked that a vote be taken. With no objection, a vote was taken and in a 6-2 decision the location of the new pier will be away from the Fish House between Chasen Park and the Fish House Parking lot. With this decision in hand, John McAllister and HWAC can move forward and present the plan to the Conservation Commission as well as other regulatory bodies.
- 5) Toni Bandrowicz was invited to the meeting to discuss the Conservation Commission's Seawall Bylaw proposal. Her attendance was virtual and the discussion was informative. Also in attendance virtually was SB

member Mary Ellen Fletcher. Her observation that at first glance the proposal seemed overreaching was the overall opinion of the group.

- 6) The next topic was the Conservancy's proposal to place a "Chronolog" at Fishermen's Beach to document sea level rise. Colleen Hitchcock made the presentation as to how it works. A Chronolog photo station would be set up at Fisherman's. Passersby align their phone, snap a photo and email it to the Chronolog. Their photos are automatically added to the right Chronolog time lapse. Once visitors upload a photo, they can see the time lapse of the scene in front of them and learn how the view has changed overtime. Chronologs engage the community and record environmental change. Placing the Chronolog at Fisherman's will provide information on sea-level rise, storm surge, and other effects of climate change on harbor shoreline and the Fish House. Everyone thought it was a great idea.
- 7) There was no community input and the meeting adjourned.