

Town of Bristol, Rhode Island

HARBOR COMMISSION
10 Court Street
Bristol, RI 0280



HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

August 7, 2023

Harbor Commission: Dom Franco (Chair), Steve Janaurio, Bob Hamel,
John McDonald

Alternate: Wayne Gablinske

Harbormaster: Gregg Marsilli

Advisory Board: Owen O'Rourke

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1. Dom Franco called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of July Minutes (Bob, Steve)
4. Chair informed entire group re Executive Session at end of meeting
5. Presentation by Thais Fournier from URI "MyCoast" re: Climate Change and coastal communities. She explained how they've identified vulnerable areas, showed the impact of changing climate, and showed local photos taken during storm events and King tides. She also explained the "My Coast" App and how to use it.
6. Report of the Harbormaster: Gregg Marsilli
 - a. New marina; Still waiting for some additional supplies and parts to complete the electrical system. What is in place is working. Problems are mostly related to individual boats.



- b. State St Pier: working on keeping trailer parking open
 - c. Rockwell Dock repairs: 14 docks are scheduled to be repaired/replaced in October
 - d. Maritime Center Sign: Historic District Commission agenda for September
 - e. Marina wait list: 168
 - f. Ed Tanner reported that Portside Drive ROW and Bristol Highlands ROW will be repaired by DPW (storm damage and path relocation)
 - g. Harbor Festival Update Saturday Aug 12th
 - h. Replica of Magellan's sailing ship "Trinidad" will be at town docks until 8/21/23
 - i. Introduction of John "JP" Perry as Deputy Harbormaster
7. Breakwater Study: Steve Janaurio gave an update of a workshop he attended with Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse.
8. Elks Club: So far only one person has used Town docks due to difficulty using Elks dock. No new info from Pare Engineering. We'll review at the end of the Summer *Season*
9. OPEN Discussion:
- Brief discussions re: credit card use for fuel and having it designated as "fuel"
 - Discussion re: slip utilization when there is no boat in the slip
 - Notification of an abandoned lobster buoy that may be a hazard to navigation at extreme low tide
 - Parking: much better compliance at Prudence Ferry lot. State Street remains problematic
 - Paul and Kathy DelNero reported on their situation with Dave Miller, mooring inspector. They voiced their frustration with notifications, procedures
10. Dom Franco announced that the Commission would go into Executive Session: Pursuant to RIGL 42-46 5(a)(1) Discussion of job performance/character of David Millar (Mooring Inspector)

Dom Franco