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**Bristol Harbor Festival Committee**

**TO: Bristol Town Council**  
**FROM: *Gregg Marsili*  
Gregg Marsili  
Harbor Festival Co-Chairman**

**Copy: Steven Contente  
Bristol Town Administrator**

**DATE: April 30<sup>th</sup> 2026**

**SUBJECT: 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Bristol Harbor Festival**

The Bristol Harbor Festival committee is planning stages for the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Harbor Festival and Blessing of the Fleet. The festival will take place on August 15<sup>th</sup> 2026. The Blessing of the gleet will start at 1pm and the rest of the day's activities will conclude at approximately 8pm. This will our 13<sup>th</sup> year having this community event to celebrate the waterfront and commercial fisherman.

The Committee would like to include beer and wine service during the event at a service bar next to the large tent. The beer and wine tent will have a tip certified bar tender and with all applicable policies that are in effect. We will also have live and recorded music during the event. In addition, we will have a raw bar, stuffie competition, clam cakes and chowder.

The Harbor Festival Committee is requesting a 1-day dancing and entertainment license and requesting to sell/use alcohol at Rockwell Park. The festival has been a great success for the past 12 years and we are looking forward to another great day to celebrate our beautiful waterfront.






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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Steven Contente  
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

FROM: Melissa Cordeiro  
TOWN CLERK 

DATE: May 11, 2026

RE: Harbor Master Marsili, Chairman, Harbor Festival  
Committee - request permission to use/sell  
Alcoholic Beverages at Rockwell Park for the 13th  
Annual Harbor Festival on August 15, 2026, from  
1:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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May we please have your recommendation or the recommendation of the department head you deem appropriate in order for the Council to review the request at the Town Council Meeting to be held on June 2, 2026.

**All items for this docket must be received in the Clerk's office by Wednesday, May 27, 2026. All and any items received after the deadline will be held until the next council agenda.**

Thank you for your cooperation and prompt reply.

Attachments