

MEMORANDUM DOUGLAS HARBOR AUTHORITY March 20, 2023, 3:00 P.M.

TO: Douglas Harbor Authority

FROM: Rich LaBombard, City Manager

SUBJECT: Slip Leases at Point Pleasant

The City has received notice from the lease holder of Point Pleasant Slip 15 that they will not be renewing their lease for the upcoming season. The lottery system employed by the City is unclear on the process to replace leases should a slip become available. The City is seeking direction from the Harbor Authority about what the process is for infilling slips. In April 2022, when slip 3 became available for lease, the City brought the topic before the Authority for consideration and the determination at that time was to offer the slip to the next person on the lottery wait list.

If the Authority determines to create transient slips, there is no schedule of fees established to charge for that service for transient boaters, therefore a fee would have to be recommended to City Council if that is the direction the Authority chooses. Management of the marina will need to be established if the transient option is chosen.

One other item for consideration on this topic is a recent discussion with the Sheriff's Office. It was revealed that there would be interest in having a slip at Point Pleasant Marina for the Allegan County Sheriff's Marine Patrol.

Furthermore, should the Authority determine that the position of volunteer Dock Supervisor is to be reinstated, a slip could be made available for that position. In February 2022, it was determined that the position wasn't needed for 22-23, but the position could be revisited in the future.

The attached map shows the layout of the slips. Currently, slips 1-3 are vacant due to low water.

Discussion Item

Point Pleasant Marina

Main dock is 6' wide All Finger docks are 3" wide

