

Minutes

**Regulations Review Committee
Harbormaster's Office
19 Harbor Loop
Gloucester, MA 01930
April 19, 2011**

Present: Phil Cusumano, Tony Gross, Cate Banks, Jim Caulkett

Also Present: Steve Douglass, Joe Boreland, Peter Bent

Chairperson Banks called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Item 1: It was discussed that the City ordinance would have to be changed in order to allow water taxi and launch schedules to be posted on public landings. Tony reported that Councilor Hardy felt there are some good reasons to leave the prohibition of conducting business on public landings in the ordinance. The committee, with input from Steve and Joe, talked about alternative ways to alert the public to these services. The idea of a "Port Services Sign" with generic information was suggested. The committee agreed that it was not inclined to pursue changing the ordinance.

Item 2: Jim explained the proposed action plan, the "mooring inventory decision tree", for continuing to monitor the moorings in the city. The idea is to insure that all moorings are being used properly and look for spaces to create more and therefore be able to take people off the wait list.

Item 3: Resumed discussions about Section VII, City Owned Commercial Marinas, of the Policies, Rules and Regulations. The committee now has a draft with half of the proposed section complete. Some modifications were discussed to what has been written so far and it was agreed that the committee members would bring language to the next meeting to finalize the section.

Jim discussed the letter to be sent to mooring permittees this year. The committee offered suggestions. We all will receive a copy at the next board meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50

Respectfully submitted,

Cate Banks