

Meeting Minutes
Rockport Harbor Committee
Wednesday, January 15, 2025

In attendance: Abbie Leonard, Nancy Albertson, Cheryl Liechty, Scott McPherson, Sam Temple, Patrick Annis, Peter Ralston, Kate Lee

Not present: Robin Chase

Meeting called to order: 5:35pm

Minutes of November 20, 2024, meeting were approved with attendance correction; Not present: add Patrick Annis

New Business:

1. The Harbor Committee unanimously recommends changes to the “Town of Rockport Coastal Waters & Harbor Ordinance” as follows:
 - To recommend an increase in the allowable pier height in the inner harbor to 8' 601.5 1 Inner Harbor ~~6~~ 8' above mean high water
 - To add to the Ordinance:
601.7 **In the inner and middle harbor** floats and ramps may extend up to 50' beyond a pier, wharf or shoreline.
In the outer harbor floats and ramps may extend up to 60' beyond a pier, wharf or shoreline. The aggregate of pier, ramp and float shall not exceed 200' overall.
601.8 Floats, moorings and chains shall be approved by the Harbormaster.
2. Motion passed; 7-0 to Recommend the Rudin Pier Application as presented by Gartley and Dorsky.
3. Abbie will review the selectboard status of the Harbor Rules and Regulations document.

Harbor Master Report:

- Holiday on the Harbor was another great success, thanks to the weather cooperating and lots of community turn out.
- Working on updating the Harbor section of the town website.

Harbor Committee Work Plan 2025 (draft)

- ~~1. Climate Resilience planning & recommendations in collaboration with the Conversation Commission~~-This item ceded to the Harbor Task Force

2. Review of Harbor Ordinances
3. Review of Float Storage
4. Fee schedule and budget review
5. Responding to needs as they arise
6. Review of the Harbor Ocmmittee Blylaws
7. Commercial use review

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 26, 2025; 5:30pm, Rockport Opera House

Meeting adjourned: 7:00 pm