Pamet Harbor Commission

April 21, 2016 Meeting

Meeting commenced 7 p.m. at the Truro Public Safety Complex

Attendees - Tony Jackett, Ray Cordeiro, Chair Timmy Silva, Rich Wood, Eric Morea, John Goff, Scott Brazil

Minutes of March 10, 2016 meeting - motion to approve by Scott, second by Eric, approved 7-0

Old Business

Dredging - dredge has vacated Pamet, their are some tubes left on the bottom which are scheduled to be removed in the next few weeks

South Jetty Light - the white "obstruction light" has been installed

Budget - after approx. three years, the Commonwealth approved an increase in daily launch fees from \$8 to \$10, not to the requested \$12. Therefore 2016 daily launch fee will be \$10, resulting in an approximate \$4,500 decrease in 2016 revenues

Staffing - Tony confirmed all of last years seasonal employees will be returning

Walkway bridge over the Pamet between parking lot and old railroad path

- Rationale seen as possible solution to parking issue (23 spots for 90 moorings), people could park in Corn Hill lot and walk the railroad path to Pamet
- Issues cost, DOT ownership of railroad path, approval process (Conservation, etc)
- Options tie into Cape Cod Bike Trail, partner with Audubon Society for birdwatching area, biking/walking path, Community Preservation Act funds for recreation
- Much discussion, yet no member could devote the time to fully investigate this plan
- Motion to indefinitely postpone this idea made by Ray, second by Rich, passed unanimously.

New Business

Fire Dept. Vessel - Tony informed us the Fire Dept. was getting a used 18 foot rigid inflatable boat, and potentially might moor it at Pamet. Tony is coordinating with Chief Collins

Mooring fees - a general discussion was held and various points discussed - benchmark fees to only other public mooring fees or also to private mooring fees, a goal of getting overall revenues to closer match Harbor expenses, and if rates were raised should the increase be in one year or phased in over x number of years. Any recommendations are due to the BOS in the Fall.

Boat size limit at Pamet - a Truro resident and Pamet mooring holder had told Rich another mooring holder had purchased a boat larger than the maximum 28 feet allowed in Pamet. Discussion was had, no one had any facts to verify so the matter was dropped. It should be noted subsequent to this meeting the mooring holder with the new boat contacted Rich and informed him the boat was less than 28 feet. Rich thanked the individual for the facts, and also apologized for any misconception which had occurred..

Motion to end meeting was made, all in favor, and the meeting adjourned 8:45 p.m.

Next meeting - May 19, 2016, 7 p.m

