

## **Kennebunk River Committee Meeting Minutes – August 16, 2016**

Members present:

Rick Roberts, Mark Sutton, Charlie Barker, Bob Danzilo, Ray Billings.

Members absent: Susan Inoue, Jack Jensen, Rich Woodman

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Rick Roberts  
No meeting in June or July 2016.

### **Old business**

No old business

### **New business**

- 8 Church St. Kennebunkport Dock Proposal

Bud Brown from Eco-Analyst presented the dock proposal for the Nash property at 8 Church St, Kennebunkport. Mr. Brown asked The Committee to waive the 100 foot dock maximums and 1/5<sup>th</sup> river width maximums. Due to a non-quorum, Chairman Rick Roberts told Mr. Brown the Committee would review at the September meeting.

- Harbormaster Report

Harbormaster Billings reported that Eric Drumbolt from American Cruise Lines contacted him to ask about the possibility of their 300' vessel anchoring off-shore and ferrying in up to 110 people with their 65 foot launch to Gov't Wharf. Mr. Drumbolt said the launch would drop-off passengers and return to vessel then return later for pick up of passengers. Mr. Drumbolt said the vessel would come to the Kennebunks eleven times per summer from May to September and anchor off-shore for 24-48 hours per stay. Harbormaster Billings told Mr. Drumbolt to contact local marinas in the river. Off-loading passengers at Gov't Wharf was not allowed for commercial businesses.

Harbormaster Billings reported some complaints of up-river boat speeding and water skiing. There is a "wake-speed" only in the river and water skiing is not allowed. Mr. Billings was able to determine who the violators were, he informed them of the rules and gave them a verbal warning.

Harbormaster Billings reported he was contacted by numerous Bridge Contractors who are bidding for the Lanigan Bridge project. Each Contractor told Mr. Billings that they would need to place a barge, some up to 80 feet wide by 150 feet long, just south of the existing bridge from January thru March 2017. Mr. Billings told the contractors there was not enough river width or depth to anchor a barge there. The barge would completely plug the river and could cause major erosion. The bridge contractors said they would do a study to see effect of barge on the river and possibly re-think their proposals.

- No other Business - Vote to adjourn at 8:00 P.M.

- Next meeting: September 20, 2016 /7:00 **PM** / Kennebunk Town Hall.

