

## Kennebunk River Committee meeting minutes

Meeting Date: March 22, 2022

Members present:

- Richard Woodman
- Charles Barker
- Jack Jensen
- Susan Inoue
- Robert Danzillo
- Reinier Nieuwkerk
- Mark Sutton

Also present: Harbormaster ('HM') Jamie Houtz

### **1. Review minutes of January 2022 meeting**

- The minutes from last meeting were approved by the Committee.

### **2. Funding for Government Wharf surveillance cameras**

- HM Houtz explored the Committee's opinion on whether the Harbormaster's budget should be used to purchase cameras to surveil Government Wharf and also the jetty/mouth of the river. The entire project would cost in the \$25,000 range.
  - The Committee voted against using the Harbormaster's budget for this project, as the bait shed and general area of the Wharf are not within the jurisdiction of the Harbormaster.

### **3. Commercial mooring transfer with the same family**

- Maine Legislature Title 38 does allow a municipality to allow the transfer of a mooring, at the request or death of an assignee, but only to a member of the assignee's family, and only if the mooring assignment will continue to be used for commercial purposes.

### **4. Moving, transfer or surrender of moorings**

- The Committee feels that when (occasionally) a mooring is surrendered, if it is in the best interest of the river and mooring field, that mooring could be retired.

### **5. Raising of mooring fees**

- The Committee discussed raising residential and commercial mooring fees.

- HM Houtz to investigate what other similar municipalities are charging for their mooring fees.

## **6. Harbormaster's Report**

- Evan Nieuwkirk requested permission to double moor his fishing vessel to keep it from swinging into the channel.
  - HM Houtz will analyze that request after all the moorings are set and ready for the upcoming boating season.