

**FISH CREEK HARBOR COMMISSION**  
**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2012**  
**GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER**  
**9:00 A.M.**

**Call to Order:** The Fish Creek Harbor Commission was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Dave Harris, chairman.

Harris verified that a quorum of the Commission was present. Members Present: Dave Harris, Brian Merkel and Richard Hecker. Paul Woerfel and Joel Blahnik absent.

Also Present: Brian Holan – Dockmaster

**Approve Minutes of the Previous Meetings:** *Motion: (Hecker/Merkel) to approve the October 17, 2012 minutes as written. Carried.*

**Dock master report:** Nothing to report, besides the extremely low water!

**Chair Report:** A few dinghy's still down at the Dock. One belongs to Mike Kahr (who is currently dredging) and the other belongs to Quinn Gamble. Kelly will call Quinn. 2012 budgeted income was \$234,750 and finished at \$319,000. Fuel sales were up. Chamber's Island dredging is complete. Due to the low water, the permanent docks may need to be lowered.

**Public Comment:** None

**Town Dock Website:** Brian Holan has been researching the website further. The \$1500 set-up fee includes the first year of hosting; \$310 annual fee thereafter. He spoke with the group that did neighboring sites. Their set up costs range from \$3500-\$4000. The Town Web Design group is local and available for ongoing maintenance, has reputable accounts and works with other municipalities. Holan suggests waiting to link up with Lodgical Solutions for reservations. Thinks a more hands-on approach is better than all reservations done online.

To increase revenue and offset the cost can we sell advertising space. Need to investigate further. Merkel suggest working with Woerfel when he gets back since he has the most experience working with online reservations etc. If we want the website to be efficient for 2013, need to get moving by the first of the year.

*Motion: (Harris/Hecker) to allow Holan to meet with Hecker and Woerfel to pursue the website further. Carried*

**Dredging:** Mike Kahr was also present. He stated, the permanent docks will need to be lowered, the question is how much? He explained the areas he has already and plans to dredge. May need to move docks out a little bit. He has concerns about getting too close to the dock walls and may be getting close to bedrock. He will take care of moving the docks to accommodate dredging and help secure them when finished. He plans to start dredging the harbor on Monday.

The northeast edge of channel to Chambers has been marked with range buoys. Would like to properly mark the channel in the spring. Need to make sure all provisions are taken into consideration- DNR and Coast Guard.

Mooring area will be on a future agenda. Harris and Neal obtained the actual coordinates and will update the Coast Guard.

**Schedule next meeting:** December 19, 2012 at 7:30 a.m. – Gibraltar Town Center

**Adjourn:** *Motion: (Merkel/Hecker) to adjourn at 9:50a.m. Carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Murre  
Administrative Assistant