

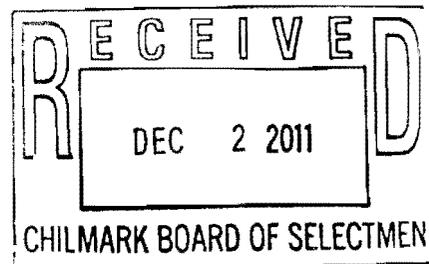
For Tim

MEMO FROM: Dennis Jason

TO: Board of Selectmen

RE: Harbor

DATE: 2 December, 2011



This is a periodic report to bring you up to date on the Harbor

As you know all the work, and the permitting for the new dock/floats is finished at Hariph's Creek – aside from the actual design and construction, this involved a lot of time for permitting, surveying, engineering, and all the paperwork involved with having this project legal. The new installation is well done and now a significant town asset. The application is underway to obtain all the permits (Army Corps) for this installation.

I have spent a considerable amount of time consulting with Kent Healy, Engineer, and other professionals about the proposed dredging in Menemsha Harbor. This has also involved permitting, design, engineering, discussions with the Coast Guard and prospective vendors. We received three phone bids (under \$25K) and have recommended Offshore Engineering (John Packer) to you to do the work. In the water work must be completed before January 15, 2012.

The harbor boat – I have spent a lot of time discussing and researching both repairs on the existing boat and research on and time inspecting various local options for another boat. Don Edgar has provided a lot of consulting including a lengthy phone conversation and visit on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. He has been beating the bushes looking for a boat. I have also spoken with the folks at MVS and Edgartown Marine (Herring Creek).

The plumbing, and leaks around the harbor continue to be a problem. In the summer I spent time crawling around looking for leaks. Finally we got Haynes Plumbing to make some repairs. Another problem has been the lack of pressure on the West Dock and we are researching ways to improve this. Alan Wilder is removing the back flow preventers so that they can be stored for the winter. Currently we are locating a plumber to shut down the plumbing system.

Electrical repairs have likewise been necessary with Cole Powers on line to do repairs around the harbor. Covers (which get blown off or ripped off) for some of the pedestals are still missing and Cole Powers has assured me, several times, that he can get replacements and install them. I continue to work with Cole to get them repaired. Ditto for the RELEMAR pedestal. He and I have inspected projects together, and I

spoke to them again on the first and they have promised to effect the various repairs in the near future.

Telephone service was a problem on the West Dock and some owners (RELEMAR, M. Tempelman) could not get service although they have actually deal with and pay Verizon directly. In conjunction with the Assessor's office we assigned addresses to various locations along the West Dock area and along the road leading to the area so that Verizon would have that information. Eventually telephone service was hooked back up.

Seth Karlinsky has made small repairs around the harbor and will install another ladder, to provide a greater measure of safety. I have a e-mail message from him dated the first in which he indicates that the ladders will be installed in the "next couple of weeks." Oil deposits continue to occur around the harbor and there has been another large (30 gallons) in the past month near the charter dock. While it is good that this is not going into our waters the taxpayers should not be incurring the expense of disposing of this (see below).

The electronic equipment from the Harbor Shack (computer and printer, credit card processing unit, etc.) have been removed removed. Art Nelson has the computer equipment. The credit card processor is stored in the TH Harbor office. I have spoken to Art about the program.

All of the mooring renewal forms, waiting list reminders, and slip leases were processed and mailed as of the 14<sup>th</sup> of November. Returns are starting to trickle in along with a large number of mail returns due to patrons either giving us an incorrect mailing list, or failing to provide one at all (so we have to research them). As you will remember last summer we gave a credit to most of the lessees on the West Dock so that significantly decreased the harbor revenue. This year all lessees will be paying the full lease amount.

As of December 2 a large number of returns have been received and processed.

Specific work list from 9/28/2011

FILL DOCK AREA:

Debris in water: the demolition debris left behind during the reconstruction of the project could be removed next spring by Don Lynch using a small excavator. Some could be removed manually but some are large.

Bad pilings: Have spoken Don Lynch about whether to replace half of the pilings – cost to be roughly \$15,000, or to do all at double the cost.

Floats: I recommend to extend the same type of float that was installed further to the north. This is a BOS decision.

Fire extinguisher, rhino coat and missing boards -- planned and/or completed.

Ladders: some to be installed by May of 2012

#### DUTCHER DOCK:

Ladders and Ramps: installation and repairs – in progress by Seth Karlinsky. I have spoken (as has Frank) to several welders. Jonathan Mayhew (the other Jonathan) is supposed to complete this project

Everything on the list is in progress, either by Seth Karlinsky, Cole Powers, or self.

Cap Log: separate issue to be discussed – Don Lynch to see the most cost effective and permanent way to do it.

Waste Oil and other hazardous wastes: We have recommended that either a waste oil collection barrel be installed at the landfill, or that fines be levied on anyone illegally depositing waste substances along the bulkhead. The burden of dealing with this should be, as state law allows, on the vendors who sell the substances and who are required to provide a depository for what they've sold. MGL allows a max fine of \$300 for illegal deposits. We recommend that a sign so stating be posted at the appropriate locations.

#### GENERAL:

Boat: We've discussed this for years. See items above

Computer Software: Ditto

Shack: Ditto – looking into a prefab building of modest size (12' x 10' or 12' x 8') to replace the current shack.

Respectfully submitted

Dennis Jason