

**Harbor Committee Minutes**  
**October 13, 2014**

Members present: Arnie Nelson, Chair; Gary Russell, Gary Krubsack, Glenn Carlson, and Jon Berg, alternate.  
Members absent: Tab Butler, Tim Eldred, Charlie Meech and Bob Kron, alternate.  
Town Staff present: Pete Clark, Town Administrator  
Also present: Public present:

**1. Call to order.**

Meeting of the Harbor Committee called to order by A. Nelson, Chair at 10:30 am on Monday, October 13 2014. A quorum of the committee is present as reflected in members listed above.

**2. Consideration, Discussion and Recommendations to Town Board Regarding Committee Budget Request for 2015**

Town Administrator Pete Clark said there is \$38,500.00 in the Harbor Committee designated fund at this time (\$12,980 remaining from 2013 budget plus the additional \$25,371.00 budget request in 2014 for the BIG grant). The BIG grant was turned down in 2014 for the transient dock but the \$25,371 has been left in the budget. Annie Loechler and Carol Bentzler of the DNR suggested holding off on re-applying for the BIG grant until we secure the land that is needed to proceed with the transient dock. This \$38,353 remaining in the 2014 budget could be used to acquire the land but have been unable to meet with the landowner to begin negotiations.

Pete Clark said there is a Recreational Boating Grant which could be used at Joni's Beach to extend the dock, construct a new picnic shelter, and add shower facilities to the existing bathrooms. Harbor money could be used toward the grant.

Discussion if the \$25,371 remaining in the harbor budget were to be used toward the Joni's Beach improvements this would leave a balance of \$12,980.00 in the harbor fund for engineering/design/permitting work for the transient and town docks. Question if the transient dock is on hold for a year should the committee pursue the engineering/design/permitting work for both the Town dock and the Transient dock or is there another project the committee would be interested in?

The total cost from JJR for engineering/design/permitting was around \$80,000/\$83,000.

Suggestion that the committee request an additional amount of \$50,000 for the 2015 budget. This requested \$50,000 would be added to the present \$38,500.00 in the harbor budget to finance the engineering/design/permitting costs for the Town and transient docks instead of coming forward in 2016 to request \$80,000.

Agreement by committee members that the engineering/design/permitting has to be done before the project can proceed. The engineering/design/permitting process could take up to two years to complete. To be noted is the new ferry will be here in three to four years so if the engineering is done you are ahead of the game. You would also be "shovel ready" with all permits in place if grants become available.

Discussion of the Recreational Boating grant for Joni's Beach. Pete Clark said we could use the design of the transient dock and apply that design to the dock at Joni's Beach. Question if part of

the \$80,000 could be set aside for engineering/design/permitting of the two docks be moved to the Joni's Beach dock or is the \$80,000+ locked into the Town dock and Transient dock only? Or would this committee want to request an additional \$25,000 to pursue the grant for the Town's share at Joni's Beach? After discussion, agreement to request a total of \$75,000 for the 2015 budget:

- \$25,000 for matching funds for the Recreational Boating Fund grant at Joni's beach for showers, dock extension and picnic shelter. Question if there are any engineering costs for this. Pete Clark said no.
- \$50,000 to be added to the present balance of \$38,500 which would stay inside the harbor.

Suggestion that if you are going to ask for money, you should have exact figures; instead of saying we need about \$80,000 for the engineering/design/permits for the Town and Transient docks or \$25,000 for Joni's say this is exactly what we need. Do the same for the funds requested for the Joni's Beach improvements. If you look at a budget, at the exact numbers that say, this will cover the cost, people would most likely agree to a budget request.

Pete Clark said he has emailed Eric Kodner, landowner adjacent to the transient dock several times and included a memorandum of understanding for the purchase of the property but he has not heard back.

Pete Clark will find the exact figures JJR specified for the engineering/design/permitting of the transient and town docks. That exact number will be added to the \$38,353 remaining in the 2014 budget. \$25,000 will be requested for Joni's Beach.

Discussion of Joni's Beach improvements. Need to hire an engineer, do a design study and apply for permits. Suggestion to use the same design, on a smaller scale, of what has been built at the Town Park. Pete Clark will find out if this is feasible.

Motion by G. Krubsack that we approach the Town to fund the \$50,000 we need to keep the Town dock project and the transient dock project going and \$25,000 to get the Joni's Beach project started. Second, J. Berg. No discussion. All in favor, all aye, Motion carried.

Pete Clark will call JJR after the meeting to get the exact cost of the transient and town dock engineering/design/permits.

### **3. Adjourn**

Motion by J. Berg to adjourn, second, G. Russell. All in favor, all aye, motion carried.

Meeting adjourns at approximately 10:50pm.

Minutes taken from recorder and respectfully submitted by Kathy Erickson, Clerical Assistant  
Minutes approved as presented March 7, 2016