

VILLAGE of NORTHPORT
WATERFRONT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING plus ZOOM
APRIL 19, 2022 1 PM

ROLL CALL: Members present: Cook, Harper, Gremel

Staff present: Edmondson

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. Capt. Brian Smith along with Board member Judy of the schooner Perception spoke about the Perception and its mission. The Perception provides sail training for Gold Star teens (teens that have lost a parent in the military) and Blue Star teens (who have a parent currently deployed) as well as veterans. The Schooner is also available to teens who lost a military parent to suicide and parents who are wounded warriors. This is a 501 C3 organization. Capt. Smith is requesting that they be allowed to call the G. Marsden Dame Marina their home port. They would occupy the northern most space on the East wall. They would be gone for up to 6 days at a time for training missions, so their space would be available for use during their absence. This would benefit the community as well as the boat draws a lot of attention. The Harbormaster is very in favor of having the Perception based in Northport. The Perception would be available for community service during times when not doing kids programs. The Perception Board is also interested in finding property for land based activities as well. This Committee is unanimously in favor of granting the Perception home port status. We will present this to the full Council for approval.
2. Harbormaster Report: Dock post replacements will be happening soon and will be completed within the next two weeks. The public bathroom floors will be done in May when the weather warms up. Goose deterrents have been successful up to a point...a much improved situation. The lights, posts with reflective tape, and coyote decoys are doing their job. Staying with Elevate Net for summer Wi-Fi. The bathroom pooper is back again. Cameras need to be left on and not shut down for the winter. Boat ramp fees are being paid again since a new sign went up reminding boaters to do so. One annual ramp fee has been paid so far (\$50). The new furniture is in the boater's lounge.

Bill found some like new used furniture. Slip number signs will be in place for the coming season. Mr. Spears has committed to his commercial slip for this year.

3. Discussion about village residents having preference for seasonal slips. Mr. Harper, with Mr. Rosemurgy's help, will put together a proposal that will be totally fair to all concerned.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Laura Cavendish commented that 2 geese have been hanging around, but have only been seen in the water. She has also heard positive comments about the preferential treatment of village residents regarding the seasonal slip lists.

ADJOURNMENT: Adjournment was unanimous at 1:51 PM