

VILLAGE of NORTHPORT
WATERFRONT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING plus ZOOM
OCTOBER 18, 2022 1 PM

ROLL CALL: Members present: Cook, Gremel, Harper

Staff Present: Scott, Edmondson, Rosemurgy

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Harbormaster Report:** The Harbormaster has met with two providers of security camera and WiFi services. He has one proposal in hand and still waiting for the second to appear. Bill is hoping to have the marina host the 2023 Bay Harbor Yacht Club Shakedown Cruise (last year it was in Elk Rapids). Bill expects 20+ boats representing approximately 1200 feet of boat. He is working with the planners to see if this can happen. The end of the 2022 boating season has officially come to an end. The harbormaster considers it to be another great summer after a very slow start. The final numbers are not in yet, and it will be interesting to see how we fared in comparison to other area marinas.
2. **Rate increases:** The Harbormaster strongly urged the Committee to consider an increase in the transient rates for next year. Most area marinas charge more than we do. We are currently using Rate "E" and we need to move to category "F." This will be a modest increase for each boater, but over the summer should generate about \$15,000 dollars. Most of the marina expenses, including general supplies, cleaning supplies, wages (dock hands), and improvements have increased and need to be paid for. The committee discussed this and a **motion** for approving a transient rate increase to Category "F" was made by Mr. Cook and seconded by Mr. Harper.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes (3) Nays (0) The motion passed.

3. The **Harbormaster** recommended that the seasonal rates for slip holders remain the same for 2023. The Committee agreed.
4. **End of Season:** As stated earlier Bill was happy with how the summer went in spite of the slow start. The launch ramp fees were up, probably because Bill "chased people" (he put friendly notes on windshields for those he thought had not paid) and also because more season passes were sold (from 3 to 12). Another suggestion that was made was to use a QR code (through Venmo) for the ramp so people could pay with their phone...it would not cost the marina to provide this service. Since there will be 2 more

commercial slips for a total of 4, it is recommended to not provide reserved parking for any of them.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Mr. Cook and seconded by Mr. Harper to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM