Harbormaster's Report to the Village Council

September 2022

What I've been up to:

1. **Aqua Superpower** – The electric boat charging station project has been pushed back all summer due to supply chain issues and other things, but the crew began trenching for the electric line a couple weeks ago. We're hoping to have the charging station installed on C-dock before the snow flies.
2. **Marina Hours** – I've reduced hours at the marina as a response to somewhat slower traffic and losing most of my weekday staff as all the crew has gone back to school. We're opening at 8:00 AM every day and closing at 4:00 PM every day except for Fridays and Saturdays, when we're open until 6:00 PM.
3. **C-Dock Decking** – As you might recall, the new decking has been cupping and warping very badly creating tripping hazards all along the dock. Over the past couple weeks I had one of my seasonal slip holders (who is also a pretty talented carpenter) pull many of the boards off, run 3 kerfs down the back side, and screw them back down again. The decking is better with fewer tripping hazards. We'll know in the spring how this solution is going to hold.
4. **Gazebo & South Beach Public Restrooms** – The gazebo and South Beach public restrooms both received a much needed scraping, washing, and coat of exterior paint. They look terrific!
5. **Boardwalk Benches** – Jim Firestone sanded and treated the 6 teak benches along the boardwalk. They look fantastic and we've received a number of compliments.
6. **Boardwalk Decking** – While replacing rotted decking this past week we discovered some not insignificant rot under the decking. We had difficulty even "sistering" boards to support the decking because the stringers were so rotted. This seems to be especially noticeable near the cement ramp from the north parking lot up to C-Dock. But we've seen rot underneath elsewhere, as well. I only want to mention it at this point so it's on your radar. It might be worth some more investigation by lifting up boards along the boardwalk to get a better picture of the condition of the supporting stringers underneath.
7. **More** … There's more, but I'm too tired to remember.

Bill Rosemurgy, Harbor Master