

TOWN OF PORT MCNEILL

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Harbour Advisory Committee (HAC) held on May 3, 2011 at 1594 Beach Drive. Dock walk at 6:30 pm. Meeting called to order at 7:20 pm.

Present: B. McCormick, K. Menzies, K. Schwalm, Councillor G. Wickstrom, and recording secretary K. Cessford.

Absent: B. Foster, J. Furney, B. Jackman

1. MINUTES:

Minutes of the Harbour Advisory Committee (HAC) meeting April 5, 2011.

016/2011 - Moved, seconded and CARRIED that the April 5, 2011 minutes be accepted as circulated. Minutes

2. CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION:

a) Harbour Authority Association of BC Tidal Currents March Newsletter

017/2011 Moved, seconded and CARRIED that the Harbour Authority Association of BC Tidal Currents March Newsletter be received and filed. HAABC Newsletter

b) Letter dated April 19, 2011 from Town of Port McNeill Mayor Gerry Furney, regarding Council's motion to support the Coast Guard Auxiliary and the Harbour Committee in the establishment of a "Kids Don't Float" lifejacket program in Port McNeill.

018/2011 Moved, seconded and CARRIED that the Letter dated April 19, 2011 from Town of Port McNeill Mayor Gerry Furney, regarding Council's motion to support the Coast Guard Auxiliary and the Harbour Committee in the establishment of a "Kids Don't Float" lifejacket program in Port McNeill be received and filed. Council Supports Lifejacket Program

c) Letter dated April 26, 2011 from Port McNeill Family Centre asking for support for the 4 week summer day camp for local area youth in July.

019/2011 Moved, seconded and CARRIED that the letter dated April 26, 2011 from Port McNeill Family Centre asking for support for the 4 week summer day camp for local area youth in July be received and filed. Family Centre Support Request

4. BUSINESS ARISING & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The dock walk identified the poor condition of the small roof over the Port McNeill map by the seating area at the top of the gangway and the signage, leaving the boat ramp, pointing the wrong way down Beach Drive. It also raised the question of whether the Port McNeill Marina and Fuel Dock are encroaching on the Municipal Harbour water lot.

5. REPORTS:

Council Member's Report

Councillor G. Wickstrom advised that the tender for the cement dock vehicle ramp has been awarded to Alberni Engineering and the delivery of the ramp

Councillors Report

should coincide with the delivery of the cement dock. Grants have been applied for to replace the harbour's main dock. B. McCormick and K. Menzies mentioned the longevity and reduced maintenance of cement decking. One marina using cement decking is Powell River. Strategically placed grating might address Environment Canada's issue re light getting through the docks.

Harbour Manager's Report

H. Ramsay – April Boat Count, and Municipal and Federal Harbour Maintenance Reports.

Harbour
Manager
Report

Committee Members' Reports

K. Menzies – asked about the crane and ladders for the off load. G. Wickstrom referred him to the Harbour Manager's report showing they have been ordered. K. Menzies also asked if a walkway on the breakwater was still a possibility. The breakwater is still settling, but as a collaborative project, including local community and service groups, a walkway may proceed in the future.

Harbour
Members
Reports

K. Schwalm – asked about the dripping water taps on the docks and if they could be fixed. She would like to see the "little roof" power washed, the railings painted, and a matching "little roof" over the harbour sign board. K. Schwalm would like the area directly against the railings around the seating area near the top of the gangway to be considered for the lifejacket borrow box.

B. McCormick – brought in a "Green Gadget" household electrical tester which tracks the amount and cost of power used when plugged in. He mentioned that K & K said that a CSA approved version would cost approximately \$1,000. K. Menzies mentioned that S. Jackman had researched a unit costing about \$200, but did not know if it was CSA approved. An alternative source of power could be a wind generator. (B. McCormick has one for his boat - apx. cost \$1,800).

6. **NEW BUSINESS: None**

7. **RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL: None**

8. **NEXT MEETING:**

June 7, 2011 - HAC annual dinner – time and venue to be determined
Sep. 6, 2011 – Next HAC meeting at 6:30 pm at 1594 Beach Drive

Dinner
Meeting

9. **ADJOURNMENT:**

020/2011 Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Adjourn

Chair
B. McCormick



Recording Secretary
K. Cessford

