

**DEEPHAVEN BOAT COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2013
MINUTES**

Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Michael Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Members Present

Michael Kelly, David Irwin, Roy Quaintance, Doug Ruble, David Matteson, Jim van Bergen, City Administrator Dana Young

Members Absent

Tom Drummond, Sue Jerutis, Warren Nelson

April 10, 2013 Minutes

The Committee approved the April 10, 2013 minutes on a motion by Roy Quaintance, seconded by Jim van Bergen. Motion carried 5-0.

Matters from the Floor

There were no Matters from the Floor this evening.

Randy Levy Request

Discussion was held regarding a request from Randy Levy to keep a rowing vessel on Slide #63 in St. Louis Bay. Dana Young reviewed an email from Randy Levy, who couldn't be present this evening, which stated that he would be excited about the possibility of using a boat for exercise versus a boat with an outboard engine that burned fuel.

Doug Ruble enters at 7:12 p.m.

Dana Young read Section 900.06 (1) of the Watercraft Space Ordinance pertaining to Class B Permits.

Jim van Bergen noted that this section on Class B Permits should be updated since it doesn't take into account the use of winches.

David Irwin stated that his interpretation is that this section doesn't require a boat to have a motor and it appears that this rowing vessel is not a canoe, kayak or rowing shells, which are all prohibited on slide spaces.

David Matteson stated that he would love to encourage non-motor boat activity.

David Irwin stated that it should only be permitted if someone is not physically able to lift the rowing vessel.

David Matteson asked if another canoe was significantly heavy, would it also be allowed to go on the slide rather than the canoe rack.

David Irwin stated that if the rowing vessel is able to be placed on a canoe rack, it should be removed from the slide space.

The Committee agreed with that statement.

Ann May Request

Ann May (19800 Manor Road, was present to state that she currently has Buoy #69 in Carson's Bay and she had shared the use of a boat at Slide #104 in Carson's Bay with John McCrady in order to access her sailboat. She stated that Mr. McCrady moved to Minnetonka and turned his slide space back in to the City. She requested that she be given the slide space that she shared with Mr. McCrady.

Dana Young noted that Ms. May is not currently on the waiting list for a slide space.

David Irwin suggested, as an alternative, that Ms. May contact Carol McGoldrick about the possibility of using the Yacht Club's dinghy if she were to become a social member of the Yacht Club at a cost of \$125. He further suggested that the City should consider purchasing a dinghy for both St. Louis Bay and Carson's Bay to enable individuals with buoys the ability to access their sailboats. He stated that this could potentially free up a number of slide spaces. He stated that the dinghies could not be left on the buoy but would have to be returned back to its slide space after its use.

David Irwin recommended that the City purchase a dinghy at St. Louis Bay and at Carson's Bay to be stored on a slide space for common use by buoy holders subject to the condition that the dinghy must not be tied to the buoy but must be returned to the slide space by the buoy holder. Seconded by David Matteson. Motion carried 6-0.

David Irwin also suggested that Ann May could contact Sue Jerutis, who has a slide space and buoy at Carson's Bay, about sharing the use of her boat.

Make-Ready Dock Project

Dana Young stated that the City Council decided during the finalization of the 2014 Marina Fund to not fund the reconstruction of the make ready dock at Carson's Bay to match the aesthetic look of the Carson's Bay docks as had been recommended last year by the Boat Committee. He stated that the Council felt that this style of design was not appropriate for the make ready dock and that the current design more readily accommodated boaters with all levels of boating experience. He stated that the Council was also concerned about spending \$10,000 to upgrade docks that were primarily used, and occasionally misused, by non-residents.

The Committee agreed with the comments made by the City Council and had no objections to leaving the make ready dock as is.

Security Cameras

Dana Young stated that Police Chief Cory Johnson talked to Minnetonka PD about their camera system at Gray's Bay and provided the following information:

- Zoom-In cameras cost approximately \$1,300
- Regular infrared cameras cost anywhere from \$200-\$900
- Servers cost approximately \$700
- Each camera requires its own IP address, with separate monitors & servers.

He stated that it can be an expensive process because the Department would require a durable and dependable system that could operate in all kinds of weather and have the ability to be monitored at the Deephaven Police Department. A cheap system would need to be replaced constantly.

He stated that Chief Johnson has the name and phone number of a vendor who would be willing to discuss potential cost options.

David Irwin stated that he doesn't have a real issue with vandalism at the docks. He stated that he has been there for over 30 years and his boat had only been broken into once.

Roy Quaintance stated that he had been on the docks for 20 years and his boat had only been broken into once as well.

David Irwin further noted that Grays Bay is a much bigger and more complex operation than the City marinas.

Motion by David Irwin to table any further discussion of security cameras until such time as it can be demonstrated that there is a real problem with vandalism at the marinas. Seconded by Jim van Bergen. Motion carried 6-0.

Roy Quaintance stated that the Police can report to us every spring if there have been any problems with vandalism.

Jim van Bergen exits at 8:00 p.m.

Slide Space Measurements

Dana Young asked if the Committee would be willing to take measurements on the width of each boat and on the width that each boat was taking up on the slide space. He stated that he would provide the Committee with a list of potential dates to get together to take the measurements.

Further discussion was held on current and potential problems that have been caused by the issuance of Wide Boat Permits.

Motion by Michael Kelly to recommend prohibiting the issuance of new Wide Boat Permits. Seconded by David Irwin. Motion carried 5-0.

Ten Year Rule / Waiting List

Discussion was held on initiating discussions on the Ten Year Rule / Waiting List. The Committee recommended that staff survey other cities on the lake that operate a marina to find out how they deal with term limits, waiting lists and costs.

Other

Dana Young provided an update on the removal of sand from the south slide area at St. Louis Bay. He stated that an excavation permit will be needed from the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District to obtain permission to remove the sand from the lake and beach area.

Dana Young updated the Committee on a complaint about a resident who was not using a dock slip but actually was letting the slip be used by another resident. He explained that this resident had a Joint Lease Agreement with the other resident.

Dana Young provided an update on the June 1st Deadline requirements.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Doug Ruble, seconded by Roy Quaintance. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Boat Committee will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2013.
