



UTILITY/MARINA COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTES OF AUGUST 1, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m.

Present: Bahle, Case, and Lutke
Staff present: Aylsworth, Fay, Larrea, Miller, and Andrew Waldron of Jacobs

Reports

DPW Director report – Miller referred to his report found in the packet. Case asked if there are any alternative uses for Duster Park besides soccer, noting an underused park. Case believes the red maples recommended by the Arborist as a replacement to the willows at Marina Park are counterproductive because it is too wet. Miller stated the rotted wall at the Port Sutton well house was an unexpected surprise. A new wall is being constructed; the roof was repatched so the water will shed away. The concern is, if staff ever need to do work on the pressure tank, the building would have to be torn down because there is no access to it, and then rebuilt.

Marina report - Aylsworth referred to her report found in the packet. Sales are down a little but the Marina is still busy, mostly on the weekends. There are more big boats this year that the Marina staff try to accommodate. The Art Fest will bring in Day use boaters. Committee questioned the necessity of an attendant at North Park boat launch and suggested better signage as a first step.

WWTP report – Andrew Waldron of Jacobs referred to the report found in the packet.

VSBS Report 2022-43 Boat Launch changes

Larrea referred to his report found in the packet, and further stated 1 in 10 boaters are not paying launch fees. Aylsworth noted launch fee revenue is down this year. Committee discussed the cost to place staff at the launch, placing an automatic arm at the Marina, reaching out to the commercial businesses, a penalty for not paying launch fees, the option to pay via Venmo, and additional signage. Following discussions, Committee recommends better/additional signage as a first step, including a sign stating the presence of a camera. Aylsworth stated she approached Water Ways for a commercial launch rate, and our rates can be increased.

VSBS Report 2022-46 Manager's Report

Larrea referred to his report found in the packet.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

Meeting notes submitted by Shar Fay, Clerk.