

**KENT COUNTY
PUBLIC LANDINGS & FACILITIES
September 17, 2018
Meeting Minutes**

I CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Kent County Board of Public Landings & Facilities was called to order by Chairman White on Monday, September 17, 2018 at 6:00PM. Those in attendance were Chuckie White, Marc Castelli, William Collyer, Clay Larimore, James Jacquette, Jr., and Division Chief Marty Holden.

The minutes of June 25, 2018 were approved as submitted.

II OLD BUSINESS

Skidders Neck Public Landing – Boat Ramp Repair – Update

Mr. Holden stated that the re-bidding and repair work will occur after the current boating season. Mr. Holden also stated that the Public Works Director is looking into the possibility of a portion of the repairs being completed in-house to reduce project costs.

Chestertown Marina – Information only

Mr. Holden advised that most of the pier work is complete and that Brambles Construction Company is currently working on the back-fill of the bulkhead and the parking lot. Mr. Holden stated that the Town of Chestertown indicated that the design or installation of the boat ramp was incorrect resulting in the ramp being too shallow. He continued that the ramp is accessible at high tide and that a device was installed at the end of ramp to prevent trailers from backing off the ramp and sinking into the silt/mud. It is uncertain if there will be funds available

to extend or correct the ramp design/construction flaw. Mr. Holden also stated that an elevated walkway will be installed connecting to the foot bridge.

Bayside Landing Park – parking issues

Mr. Holden stated that boat trailer parking spaces/lines will be painted on the parking lot, between the pool and the boat ramp, this week. It was suggested that by painting parking lines, encouraging vehicles to park more appropriately within that area, more vehicles/trailers would be able to park there. Mr. Holden advised that during the busy fishing time earlier this year, county employees were present at Bayside to assist with parking issues. Boat trailer Parking lines and signs were also installed on the bulkhead for over flow parking. Mr. Holden stated that the owner of the adjacent property allowed parking on their grass lot during the busy period as well. It should be noted that no further complaints about parking issues have been received.

Rock Hall Harbor Entrance Channel Dredging

Mr. Holden advised that the County Engineer was unable to get all necessary requirements submitted to allow the dredging to be completed during the fall dredging period (October-November). If permits, funding and the bidding process can be completed prior to the spring dredging period (March 15 – April 14), the dredging project will be performed then.

III NEW BUSINESS

Cliff City – request for use

Mr. Holden stated that ShoreRivers requested to use Cliffs City public landing (September 5, 2018 – September 12, 2018), again, this year to distribute oyster cages to volunteers.

Spring Cove – parking issues

Mr. Holden advised that he received complaints of vehicles/boat trailers being parked in front of the pier and slip holders do not have areas to park. Painting of parking spaces/lines at this location should also help this issue.

Sharp Street – damage to pier from pressure washing

Mr. Holden stated that it has been determined that pressure washing of pound nets directly on the pier is causing damage. After discussion, motion was made, seconded and agreed to contact responsible party and require that some form of barrier (plywood/metal sheet) be placed on pier prior to any pressure washing in the future.

Sharp Street – pilings

Mr. Holden advised that he was informed that at least one piling along the pier needs to be replaced/ repaired. Mr. Holden stated that he had contacted a contractor who is just now getting into the area to be able to make those repairs as soon as possible.

V ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM. The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 10, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Fletcher