

**HENRY POINT WORKING WATERFRONT PROJECT**

**PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE MAINE**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT**

**January 15, 2025; 6:00 PM – Jonesport Town Office**

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by John Church, Jonesport Harbor Master at 6:00 PM. Seven (7) members of the public attended, five (5) committee members, one (1) Town Employee, two (2) Haley Ward representatives, and one (1) Sunrise County Economic Council Employee. The total attendance was sixteen (16). A document summarizing the Project Description, Environmental Impacts, Permitting, and Public Participation was available to all attendees.

**PROJECT OVERVIEW – Working Waterfront Access Committee and Harbor Committee:** A timeline of the project to date was verbally shared by John Church.

**SUMMARY OF PERMIT APPLICATION PREPARATION – Haley Ward Representatives:** The purpose of the meeting is to inform the public about the permits and explain environmental impacts. Once filed, the Tier Three Permit Application will be available at the Town Office and the Bangor Office of Maine Department of Environmental Protection.

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM ATTENDEES:** The question-and-answer period included concerns about the length of time it has taken to file applications, processes for communication to avoid delays, Kelley Point Road traffic comments, clarification for use between new Henry Point Working Waterfront and the existing State-owned recreational marina on Sawyer Cove, timeline for breaking ground at Henry Point, and plans for availability of skiff tie ups. Also answered were questions about whether the filing for a Tier One permit in July 2024 has resulted in “paying for two permits when we only need one.” The filing fee paid for the Tier One Permit is transferred to the fee that will be due for the filing of the Tier Three Permit. The work done by Haley Ward for the Tier One Permit is also required for the Tier Three Permit so there is no duplication of work being charged to the town.

There being no more questions, comments, or discussion regarding the plan that was presented by Paul Monyok of Haley Ward, or the Environmental Review, the meeting was closed at 6:30 PM.

Minutes: ktkillian, 1/16/2025