

# Hat Island Community

Marina Committee Report, November 2021 by John Gray

## MEMBERS:

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## SUPPORTING PEOPLE (receives updates and is helpful):

Tom O'Day

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## INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS-NO BOARD ACTION

### 1. Current Marina Projects and Status

- a. Lighting. Additional lighting is planned to improve safety in the higher use areas and provide more lighting for the ferry captain. This is using current budget funding. The plan includes: (a) additional down lighting that is shielded and operates dusk to dawn. Shielded means the sides of the light are not seen so as to not blind vessel operators. A test light fixture will soon be installed. (b) walkway lights and (c) improved lights in the shore power boxes to better light the docks. *Assignment: John Gray is coordinating this project.*
- b. Electrical Issues. The shore power boxes on B-dock have not been operational. This is along with the ramp lights to C-dock. The staff has a solution.
- c. Cart Float. (a) The old spot light pole will be removed. (b) Additional lighting will be added to the area. (c) The shorepower box will be moved closer to the slip. (d) The shorepower box for the ferry will be relocated to a better place. (e) The float is not completely level and an assessment and action will be planned. (d) The gap between the float and the finger pier will likely be filled in 2022 or 2023 due to the other priorities and scheduling a barge run for lumber.
- d. An additional sign to remind boaters entering the marina with speed limit, being a private marina, and other information is available and will be mounted on a piling inside the marina that is near the entrance to the breakwater.

### 2. Future Project: Parking Lot Drainage and Design Improvement

- a. Easy and quick improvements are being done to solve immediate issues.
- b. The drainage plan will need to be presented.
- c. The design and planning is intended to be done in 2022 with project funding proposed starting in 2023. The work is expensive with lots of materials and skill labor needed. The work may be done in one effort or phased over time.

### 3. Future Projects: Dock Construction And Improvement Projects:

- a. The L-shaped dock (connects to the PSYC docks and is one side of the old Hat Express slip) continues to slowly deteriorate. Urgent repairs may be funded in 2022. The scope of the project is limited to under \$5,000. These floats are in urgent need of replacement with no connections to three pilings that are unstable, failing dock connections and Styrofoam floats slipping. An inventory was done of the floats and lumber on-hand. The hardware will need to be ordered. Pending funding, the availability of custom ordered materials and hardware plus a weather window and team of volunteers, the date of the work party is not schedule. *Assignment: John Gray is providing interim leadership.*
- b. Other Dock Construction Projects:
  - The new boat ramp dock needs to be designed. It will be 6 feet wide and about 75 feet long. It will be built in about 12 foot sections that are hinged together to accommodate the tidal changes and the steep nature of the ramp. It will need to be removable when a large barge is coming in.
  - The widening of the main ferry dock to 10 feet and filling the gap at the cart float. Budget and scheduling for materials is causing these projects to be in 2022 and perhaps finishing in 2023.
  - Dock corner bumpers and edge bumpers. These provide protection to boats while docking. The number of bumpers and the cost will be researched.  
*Assigned: Dennis Dearing*
  - Additional water lines are planned for A-dock

#### 4. Future Project: Marina Park Improvements.

- a. The initial conceptual design is done and drawings made. The elements are patios connected by walkways, covered patio at the office, new bathroom, and additional landscaping. Lori Christopher has agreed to create a rendering for the Community to show the plan.
- b. The majority of the project will likely be funded through donations. Owners will have the opportunity to buy a portion of the project with recognition provided during the construction.
- c. The first priority is the area of the loading/unloading area for the transit bus to the ferry ramp. The grade needs to be raised.
- d. Easier and small parts of the project will be done as the opportunities present themselves. These include:
  - i. Removal of creosote poles.
  - ii. New beds of plants provided by owners.
  - iii. Removal of unneeded wood fencing and using the materials elsewhere.

Thank you to all the committee members for their energy and contributions. Thank you Kim Gleason and the entire staff for all the work and ideas to make the marina better. If you wish to join the Marina Committee, please contact John Gray at [johnlgray425@gmail.com](mailto:johnlgray425@gmail.com) or see him around the island.