

Portreath Harbour Association

Minutes of a General Meeting held at the Portreath Institute
on Friday 7th October 2011 at 8.00 pm

Present: Mr Mike Warren Chairman
 Mr Colin Reed Vice-Chairman
 Mrs Jan Veasey Secretary
 Mr Mike Bennett Treasurer

Committee Members:

Mr Doug Coates
Mr Colin Higgs
Mr Dave Veasey

By Invitation: Mr Andy Brigden, Head of Maritime Services in Cornwall

The Chairman welcomed Committee members and thanked them for their attendance.

Apologies – Apologies were received from the Cllr Joyce Duffin.

1. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

2. Matters Arising

Armtrac

Members were asked by the Chairman to be vigilant and report any illegally parked vehicle to Armtrac. They would send an operative to investigate. On the whole the Chairman thought Armtrac had done a reasonable job this year.

3. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer told members that he would not be standing for re-election next year.

4. Secretary's Report

The Secretary had nothing to report to the General Meeting.

5. Craning Out

The crane will be coming down to the Harbour tomorrow (8th Oct.) at 1.00 pm. The Treasurer mentioned that he would be able to attend to collect fees from the boat owners which this year would be £25.

6. Boatshed

The Association was still awaiting a quote. Nothing further to report on this matter.

7. Increase in Membership and Mooring Fees

The Chairman told the meeting that the subject of an increase in fees had been discussed by the Committee.

It was proposed that moorings would be increased by 50p per foot

Proposed by Mike Warren
Seconded by Colin Higgs

Proposal carried by a majority of votes from the floor with two abstentions.

It was also proposed that Membership would be £20 per year – OAP's would be £10.

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Boat Watch

The Chairman reported that there were a few initial teething problems, but it was now up and running and to his knowledge we had had a theft-free season. It was thought that 50% of boat owners had purchased engine covers and this certainly helped as a deterrent.

8. Christmas Dinner

The Chairman reminded everyone to book their Christmas Dinner which was being held on Saturday 3rd December.

9. Any Other Business

Nominations

The Chairman reminded Members that there would be self-nomination for positions on the Committee. A list of Nominees would be posted in the PHA notice board.

10. Update from Andy Brigden

Lease: This needed to be re-energised.

Beachmaster's Course: This course went well

Removal of Seaweed: We were quite fortunate to have reduced the cost by Cusgarne Farm paying for the transport. We have to be careful not to destroy the budget.

Ladders: Andy would be getting costs for the ladders and would get this moving over the winter. As the Quay was Grade II listed, he would get any permission that was needed for this work to be done. He also told members that the railings on the Waterfront side would be removed.

Andy reminded members that he was now Head of Maritime Services in Cornwall and that if they had any problems at all, they were to give him a call.

11. Any Other Business

Dave Veasey reported that there was a boat in the harbour with the transom coming off. The Chairman said that this was an ongoing issue and it would be sorted out.

The Chairman told the meeting that a concrete floor had been put down in the bait shed. The builders who were working on the Harbourmasters House had done this for us.

The Chairman asked members who drove up to the top harbour to replace the chain which was put across the road. This would stop vehicles other than those owned by PHA members going up there. There had been a problem with young people parking their cars up that end during the summer.

There being no other business the Chairman brought the meeting to a close.

The next General Meeting will be on Friday 4th November at 8.00 pm.

Signed.....

Mike Warren
Chairman

Date