

HARWICH HARBORMASTER DEPARTMENT

September 2023 Monthly Report

Operations

- Responded to a request from the operator of a 38' sailboat to assist with maneuvering into Saquatucket Harbor (SAQ). The boat had a broken boom and disabled engine. The boat was taken in a side tow to the pump-out dock.
- Notified by Harwich Fire of a report of a person drowning off Red River Beach. Responded on Marine 77 and contacted the person reported to be in distress. The person stated that he was swimming and not in any distress.
- Prepared for the possible impacts from hurricane Lee. Harbormaster Department boats and equipment were secured, and Harwich boaters were notified to monitor the hurricane and to make early preparations for possible hurricane conditions.

Administration

- Drafted cover memo for Wixon Landing project contract for approval by BOS.
- Drafted letter, and sent certified mail, to owner who abandoned boat in the marina, and departed without paying owed dockage fees. Letter detailed responsibility per MA general law for paying owed dockage fees, as well as any costs the town incurs to haul and dispose of boat.
- Provided list to Assessor's Office for Boat Excise Tax
- Created email list to disseminate weather updates for Hurricane Lee.
- Went to waitlist with open 20' Recreational Slip, (1) RC mooring permit, (1) Long Pond mooring permit, (1) Outer Harbor mooring permit, (1) HR North mooring permit.
- Emailed HPBY/AHM for 30-day mooring use regulations.
- Transient Reservations: 61
- Parking Tickets: 4

Maintenance

- Hauled all swim area regulatory buoys for the season.
- Repaired shoreside pump-out system.
- Routine building and grounds maintenance.

Meetings

- Attended bid opening for Wixon Landing project.
- Attended Hurricane Lee status update meeting at EOC conference room.
- Met with Herring River mooring permit holder regarding potential move from north of the lower county bridge to the south side.
- Conducted two interviews for the vacant Dockhand position.
- Attended design meeting update with APCC team on Route 28 Herring River landing stormwater improvement project.