

**Observer Corps Report** 

## Harbors and Waters Board - August 1, 2022

LWVM Observer: Kathy Breslin Location: Harbormaster's quarters, 9 Ferry Lane (in person)

Meeting Summary:

Capital project updates

Crocker Park gangway: nearly completed. State St. North gangway, Aids to Navigation, Rescue Equipment, State St. Piers engineering, and Work Truck projects have all been completed.

Parker's: Staircase Railings and Parker's building projects are pending the Harbor Study grant. The Parker's crane replacement is 50% completed. Little Harbor boat ramp hasn't opened yet, pending Chapter 91 permit; North Shore Marine contacted. The new pump-out station has been installed, waiting for control panel-reimbursed 70% by state. Harbormasters' office A/C is installed, plumbing and electrical in progress. Mooring chain project: 20% completed in Fall and Spring. Tools and equipment project: completed

## Harbormaster Report

Retiree Health Insurance: Costs for health insurance for two retired Harbors and Waters employees were inadvertently paid by the Town for the past two years and now the Harbors and Waters Board has to find \$30,000 in their budget this year and next to pay back the Town, plus the ongoing \$30,000 annual payments in the future that weren't anticipated.

State Street Landing Rest Rooms renovation: completed, covered under a \$50,000 grant. It was determined that the roof did not need replacing.

State Street Landing Hoyer Lift: This has been installed and is operational. There is a QR code posted to enable access of the lift. Assistance from the Harbormaster's office is available. So far two individuals have accessed the lift.

Commercial Street Fish Conveyer – A quote is needed and then application for a Seaport Council grant, possibly.

State Street Landing: Landing Restaurant outdoor seating—There have been no complaints from commercial fishermen about interference with their trucks offloading fish near the seating. It was mentioned that perhaps the commercial dock could be swapped for the public dock, making it easier for the commercial trucks to get in and out.