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AGM.

Held Saturday 25th July – same day as the Waikawa Boating Clubs AGM which resulted in a good turnout of members.

John Jackson(chairman), Phil Vining, Paul Williams, Bob Culbert, Chris Williams, Peter Thorne-George, John Armstrong & John Humm elected to committee.

Motions to amend constitution

- 1/ Quorum for AGM to be reduced from 15 to 10 not passed.
- 2/ Number of signatures required to amend constitution rules to be reduced from 15 to 10 passed.

Bank accounts show a healthy balance and it was noted that it is important to have a good buffer for future use dealing with Port Marlborough, Marlborough District Council & others with regards to issues with marina berths, moorings, boatsheds, parking etc when professional help & input required from lawyers, accountants & consultants etc.

Yearly sub to remain at \$25.

<u>WAIKAWA BAY MOORINGS</u>: Marlborough District Council have begun to charge a monitoring/admin fee of \$40 for each mooring at the time of updating mooring servicing details 2 yearly. We think this is expensive and will be taking it up with Council.

<u>WAIKAWA BAY MOORINGS:</u> Many of the mooring owners in Waikawa Bay will have received notification from the MDC that their coastal permits are due to expire in May next year. This only applies to the moorings on the eastern side of the bay as they had 5 year terms on the coastal permits. The moorings

in the existing North-East marina zone, and also those on the western side of the bay, have ten year consents so no panic on those areas yet.

You will recall that MBMA advocated successfully to set up Mooring Management Areas (MMA's) within the Bay and convert the coastal permits under the Resource Management Act for moorings in Waikawa Bay to licences under a bylaw under the Local Government Act.

Council has been slow with this. MBMA met with Council & Port Marlborough a few months ago to try and move things along. As the NE marina zone is now proposed to revert to Coastal Marine Zone in the upcoming Council review of their plan, the existing moorings there can remain. That required readjustment of some of the MMA's which Port Marlborough has now supplied to Council.

It seems that Council's planning team are now making progress with implementing the MMA's and the Bylaw prior to the expiry of the existing consents. If completed in time there will be no need to apply for new Resource Consents.

We will keep a watching brief on progress with this and reassess the situation in the New Year. For the meantime however we recommend that you don't take any action on renewing your coastal permit if you have received a letter from MDC that they are due to expire.

PORT MARLBOROUGH MARINA FEES AND OTHER CHARGES: There has been an increase of 2% on the old priced Waikawa Marina Berths only in line with PM's stated intention to slowly bring the old prices up to current new prices over several years. Homework will need to be done as to whether the current new pricing is at a fair & reasonable level and we will be looking into this. There has also been an increase of 2% on some Waikawa Boatsheds.

COASTAL OCCUPANCY CHARGES will be coming out in the upcoming MDC plans - MBMA made a submission on this & will be keeping an eye on what proposals are put forward and will work towards any outcome that is fair to boaties.

*** This newsletter is ALSO being sent out to those people with Waikawa Bay Moorings that have 5 year consents, who will have received a letter from MDC AND who are NOT currently members of MBMA. If you would like MBMA to work on your behalf to safeguard the security of your mooring and receive future newsletters we would invite you to join the Assn. Cost is \$25 per year - please contact our secretary at email mbma@xtra.co.nz or visit the MBMA website www.mbma.org.nz Future newsletters will be to members only. The more members we have the bigger difference we can make.

Meet the Committee 2015

The following members serve as the MBMA Committee.

They solicit your inputs and may be contacted at the listed phone number or by email using the email link.

Committee Members

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