

Freeport Coastal Waters Commission

Memorandum

Harbormaster's Office

To: Freeport Town Council
From: Harbormaster Charles Tetreau
RE: Moorings outside of Harraseeket River Anchorage
Date: 9/27/23

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The Coastal Waters Commission voted unanimously for a \$50.00 fee to be set for all resident recreational moorings in the Freeport waters. After examining mooring fees throughout the state, specifically in Casco Bay the commission felt that a \$50.00 fee was a reasonable amount and was a lower fee than Freeports neighboring towns. Harpswell is the only other municipality in Casco Bay with a \$50.00 fee for resident recreational moorings. Other towns range from \$50.00 - \$155.00 for a resident recreational mooring.

The commission also discussed and made the following recommendations for the town council to consider.

1. lowering the cost of a resident recreational mooring from \$96.00 to \$50.00, add X amount to the per foot charge so the town would not have a loss of income.
2. Keeping the \$2.25 per foot charge the same for resident recreational moorings inside the Harraseeket River Anchorage.

All other mooring subtypes would be the same fee as inside of the Harraseeket River Anchorage but would not pay the per foot charge. For example, a mooring held by a marina inside of the Harraseeket River Anchorage has a Fee of \$186.00 dollars plus \$2.25 cents a foot. Marinas that hold a mooring outside of the Harraseeket River Anchorage would be charged \$186.00.

Additionally:

Total mooring's outside of the Harraseeket River Anchorage: Approximately 100 moorings.

Number of resident recreational moorings inside the Harraseeket River Anchorage: 219 moorings.

Current fee for Resident Recreational \$96+\$2.25 per foot.

Sincerely,

Charles Tetreau