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Town of Blue Hill
Marine Resource Committee

Statement of Purpose and Organization

The purpose of the Marine Resource Committee shall be:

1: To prepare a Harbor Ordinance that will effectively manage the marine resources of the town of Blue Hill. This includes the town owned docks and their access, the mooring and anchorage areas, and other public uses of the harbors and water front.

2: To annually review the appropriate harbor management practices and the Harbor Ordinance.

3: To prepare an annual operating budget, to be presented to the Budget Committee, for the operation and maintenance of the town owned marine facilities.

4: To write the job description and qualification requirements for the Harbor Master.

5: To hear appeals of anyone aggrieved by the decision, act, or failure to act of the Harbor Master.

6: To assist in the coordination of all public and private agencies, commissions and organizations which have interest or jurisdiction within the harbor areas.

Organization of the Marine Resource Committee:

1: The Marine Resource Committee shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the Town Selectmen.

2: The Committee members shall be residents of the Town of Blue Hill. The membership shall represent as many diverse interests in the harbors, waterways, and tidal waters as possible (i.e., commercial boat owners, recreational boat owners, abutting land owners, water related business owners, members of land use boards or committees).

3: The term of a member shall be three (3) years, except that initially three (3) of the Committee members shall be appointed to a three (3) year term, two (2) shall be appointed to a two (2) year term, and two (2) shall be appointed to a one (1) year term. The term shall commence on May 1.

4: Five (5) members shall constitute a quorum.
5: The Chairperson of the Committee shall be elected annually by a vote of the membership at its first meeting following May 1.

6: The Harbor Master shall attend all meetings and be a non-voting advisor.

7: All meetings shall be open and announced to the public.