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VIA EMAIL (shawn@castine.me.us)

June 1, 2023
File No. 03.0035109.00

Shawn Blodgett, Town Manager
Selectboard, Town of Castine
Emerson Hall
P.O. Box 204
67 Court Street
Castine, Maine 04421

Re: Maine Wharves and Weirs Act Application
Maine Maritime Academy Waterfront Campus Improvements
1 Pleasant Street
Castine, Maine

Dear Town Manager Blodgett and Castine Selectboard:

On behalf of Maine Maritime Academy (MMA), GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc (GZA) is submitting this application for a license from the Town of Castine under the Maine Wharves and Weirs Act, 38 M.R.S. §§ 1021-1027 ("the Act") for the proposed pier extension and mooring dolphins included in MMA's waterfront campus improvements necessary for receiving the new National Security Multi-Mission Vessel (NSMV) training ship. The proposed pile-supported structures are considered a "wharf" under the Act. The Act charges the Selectboard to make two determinations in granting a license based upon the following standards: (1) whether the proposed erection or extension of a wharf would be an obstruction to navigation, and (2) whether the proposed erection or extension would injure the rights of others. 38 M.R.S. § 1022. The following addresses both standards.

Standard 1: Will the proposed erection or extension of a wharf be an obstruction to navigation?

The proposed structures do not obstruct navigation. MMA has collaborated with adjacent waterfront property owners and the Town of Castine on the siting of the proposed structures. While the original pier design did not obstruct navigation, there were aspects of navigational maneuvers that were identified through this collaboration. In response, MMA was pleased to make accommodations, including modifications to the design, such as movement of proposed dolphins, to address concerns regarding navigation post-construction. We are most appreciative for the subsequent unanimous support of the Town Harbor Committee and the Town Planning Board that both considered these modifications in context of assessing impacts to navigation. Indeed, the Planning Board specifically found the proposed pier will not have adverse effects on navigation.

Please see the attached *Figure 1: Proposed Pier Renovations to Berth the NSMV* for the overall proposed layout plan. The plan includes clearance distances to the Town Dock to the east and to a potential pier at the abutting residential waterfront property to the west owned by J Edward Odegaard. Also attached are a letter from the Town's Selectboard recognizing the modifications to mitigate potential ingress and egress concerns at the Town Dock and a Letter of No Objection to the project from Mr. Odegaard who has provided consent. Both of the



letters were provided to the State of Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands for project review under their jurisdictional responsibilities.

Given these supporting letters from the direct abutters with navigation interests, the support of the Harbor Committee, and the approval of the pier by the Planning Board, the proposed project is not an obstruction to navigation.

Standard 2: Will the proposed erection or extension injure the rights of others?

The proposed structures do not injure the rights of others. Through the original design and above-referenced modifications, we are pleased to have been able to ensure that the project will not prevent the exercise of others to their riparian rights to wharf out and maintain ingress and egress to nearby properties. MMA has been pleased to participate in multiple, publicly-noticed meetings and hearings during which the interests and rights of all others have been solicited and received. This has included much input from citizens and officials throughout Castine. We have also worked directly with nearby property owners to address concerns.

In the attached Selectboard Letter to the Bureau of Parks and Lands, the Town recognizes the modifications that MMA incorporated to mitigate impacts to the Town Dock and indicated that adjustments of the Town Dock for further mitigation are not “unreasonable.” In addition, the Castine Harbor Committee provided an Advisory Memorandum to the Selectboard at the April 3, 2023 meeting that states the Harbor Committee “accepts MMA’s pier renovation project contingent upon the modifications and commitments to the Town stipulated in President Paul’s 03/22/23 letter.” The referenced commitments are those included in Eaton Peabody’s May 18, 2023 letter to the Selectboard requesting project review under the Wharves and Weirs Act. Attached are the approved meeting minutes for the April 3, 2023 Selectboard meeting which document agreement by the Selectboard. Also attached is a copy of the draft Harbor Committee meeting minutes which includes the memorandum.

Pursuant to the Act and best practices, notices of intent to request a permissive license from the Castine Selectboard were sent via certified mail to parties that may be directly affected by the proposed construction. Copies of the notifications are attached.

As shown on the attached Figure 1, MMA’s proposed project does not prevent build-out of a pier and floating dock at the abutting residential waterfront property to the west. The potential pier and dock layout shown on the figure was provided by Mr. Odegaard for use in evaluating siting of MMA’s proposed structures. As referenced above, this property owner has provided a letter of no objection and consent to the MMA project.

Given the above coordination with citizens of the Town of Castine and nearby affected property owners, the proposed project does not injure the rights of others.



If you have any questions regarding this application or require additional information, please feel free to contact Aimee Mountain at aimee.mountain@gza.com.

Very truly yours,

GZA GEOENVIRONMENTAL, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Aimee Mountain'.

Aimee Mountain, GISP, CPMSM
Senior Project Manager, Permitting

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Cheryl W. Coviello'.

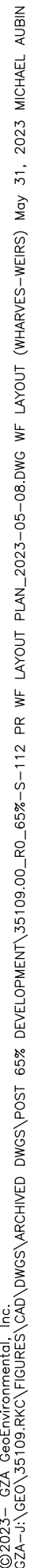
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Associate Principal

ADM/CWC

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Attachments: Figure 1: Proposed Pier Renovations to Berth the NSMV
Town of Castine Selectboard Letter to the Bureau of Parks and Lands
Odegaard Letter of No Objection to the Bureau of Parks and Lands
Town of Castine Selectboard meeting minutes for 3 April 2023
Town of Castine Harbor Committee draft meeting minutes for 30 March 2023
Copies of Notices sent via Certified Mail

Figure 1: Proposed Pier Renovations to Berth the NSMV



Town of Castine Selectboard Letter to the Bureau of Parks and Lands



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Castine Selectboard

townoffice@castine.me.us

April 26, 2023

Karen Foust
Submerged Lands Coordinator
Bureau of Parks and Lands
18 Elkins Lane, Harlow Building
Augusta, Maine 04333

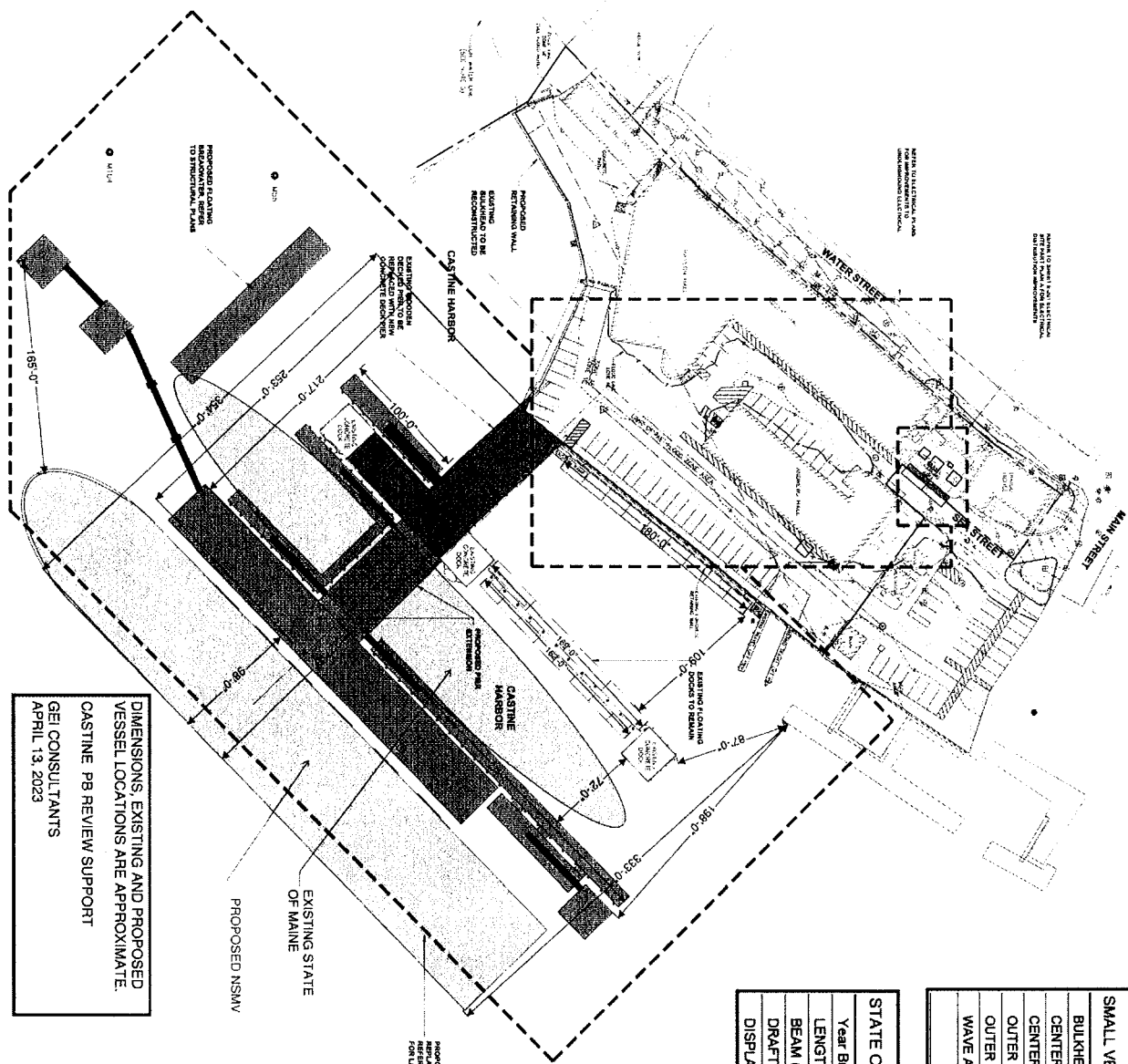
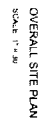
Dear Karen:

This letter is in response to the public notice, dated March 24, 2023, that the Town of Castine received on or around March 28th, 2023. The notice invited comments from the Town of Castine, as an abutting property owner, on the Department of Agriculture Conservation and Forestry (DACF) submerged lands lease review. This review was stimulated by Maine Maritime Academy's (MMA) planned pier reconstruction and expansion which the school is undertaking to be prepared to receive its new National Security Multi-mission Vessel training ship. Below are Castine's comments.

The four review criteria listed in the notice all hinge on what is considered an "unreasonable" interference or diminishment. It is Castine's understanding that it is up to the BPL to define what is to be considered "unreasonable". The project, as it is currently designed will have an impact on our town dock area as our landing floats are immediately to the East, and upriver, from the project area. Please see the attached drawing for a visual. Owing to the confined spaces involved, this project will have an impact on boater ingress and egress navigation to Castine's town dock area. MMA has made several design adjustments to their plan at our request which have mitigated this issue to a degree. However, Castine assesses that to address this issue with finality, Castine will be forced to adjust the infrastructure of its town dock area to ease the ingress and egress course angles for boaters utilizing Castine's town dock facility. With a project of this magnitude, scope, and importance, we do not assess that the infrastructure adjustments that Castine will be required to make are unreasonable.

If we can provide you with any further information or can be helpful in any way while you conduct your review, please do not hesitate to contact Castine's Town Manager, Shawn Blodgett. Shawn can be reached at shawn@castine.me.us or by phone at (207)-326-4502.

Sincerely and for the Selectboard of Castine,
Colin P. Powell
Chair
Selectboard of Castine



SMALL VESSEL DOCK SPACE	Existing LF	Proposed LF
BULKHEAD FLOATS	180	180
CENTER FLOATS UPSTREAM	331.0	331.0
CENTER FLOATS DOWN STREAM	NA	100.0
OUTER FLOATS UPSTREAM	NA	275.00
OUTER FLOATS DOWNSTREAM	NA	200.0
WAVE ATTENUATOR	NA	?
TOTAL LF	511	1086

STATE OF MAINE Measurements		Existing Ship	NSMV
Year Built	1989	2024	
LENGTH (FT)	500	524.5	
BEAM (FT)	72	88.6	
DRAFT (FT)	30	21.4	
DISPLACEMENT (TONS)	15928	19237	

DIMENSIONS, EXISTING AND PROPOSED VESSEL LOCATIONS ARE APPROXIMATE.

CASTINE PB REVIEW/SUPPORT

G&E CONSULTANTS

APRIL 13, 2023



Odegaard Letter of No Objection to the Bureau of Parks and Lands



JANET T. MILLS
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION & FORESTRY
BUREAU OF PARKS & LANDS
22 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

AMANDA E. BEAL
COMMISSIONER

May 17, 2023

Submerged Land Program
Bureau of Parks and Lands
22 State House Station
Augusta ME 04333

RE: Letter of No Objection

Dear Submerged Land Coordinator:

I am currently the owner of property located in Castine Harbor, Castine, Maine (Tax Map 21, Lot 112). I understand that Maine Maritime Academy is applying to the Bureau of Parks and Lands for a submerged lands lease or easement for Waterfront Campus Improvements as shown on the attached plan. I also understand that the proposal would be located within the subtidal portion of my property's littoral zone as determined by the Bureau of Parks and Lands.

I hereby provide this letter of no objection and consent to the proposal provided it meets the terms, conditions, and standards of the Submerged Land Rules and that the applicant can demonstrate that no reasonable alternative location is available.

J Edward Odegaard
[signature]

May 18, 2023

Date

J Edward Odegaard

[printed name]

2 Pleasant St, Castine ME 04421

[address]

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Town of Castine Selectboard meeting minutes for 3 April 2023

TOWN OF CASTINE
SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS & OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
MEETING MINUTES

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DATE: Monday, April 3, 2023

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: Emerson Hall

PRESENT: Colin Powell, Chair, Gordon MacArthur, and Roberta Boczkiewicz, Selectboard members; Shawn Blodgett, Town Manager; Karen Motycka, Finance Officer and Susan Macomber, Town Clerk.

PUBLIC: Bobby & Ruth Ann Vagt, Brooke Tenney, Helen Miller, Ann Blodgett, Scott Vogell, Randy Stearns, Marc Pelletier, Jerry & Kristy Paul, Mark Morgioni, Kate Noel, Bob Scott, Craig Johnson, Don Tenney, Tom Comiciotto, Gus Basile, Josh Adam, Dan & Julie Leaders and David Avery of the Castine Patriot.

ZOOM: Bruce Boczkiewicz, Liz Parish, Susan Adam, Mary Kneisel, Penny Carlhian, David Wyman and Bill Eisenhardt.

Colin Powell opened the meeting at 4:00 PM.

Colin verified that there was a quorum with Gordon MacArthur, Colin Powell and Roberta all present in person. Colin asked if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda: Gordon MacArthur made motion to add Approving & Signing the May 13, 2023 Town Mtg Warrant.

Gordon MacArthur made motion to approve the warrants, abatements, budget vs. actual and trial balance reports, bank reconciliations and excise tax collections; General Fund Warrant in the amount of \$15,131.44. Second by Roberta Boczkiewicz. No discussion.

Colin asked for votes to approve. Gordon stated yes to approve. Roberta stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. General Fund Warrant approved 3-0.

Roberta Boczkiewicz made motion to approve Water Warrant in the amount of \$4,156.83. Second by Gordon MacArthur. No discussion.

Colin asked for votes to approve: Gordon stated yes to approve. Roberta stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. Water Warrant approved 3-0.

Colin Powell made motion to approve a 3/23/23 Disbursement Warrant for State report to Motor Vehicles in the amount of \$2,943.28. Second by Gordon MacArthur. No discussion.

Colin asked for votes to approve. Gordon stated yes to approve. Roberta stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. 3/23/23 Disbursement Warrant approved 3-0.

Roberta Boczkiewicz made motion to approve the March 20, 2023 Selectboard Mtg minutes. Second by Gordon MacArthur. No discussion. Colin asked for votes. Gordon stated yes to approve. Roberta stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. March 20, 2023 Mtg minutes approved 3-0.

Item 1. Colin Powell introduced approving & signing the May 13th Town Mtg Warrant. Gordon MacArthur made motion to approve. Second by Colin Powell. No discussion. Colin asked for votes: Gordon stated yes to approve. Roberta stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. May 13th Town Mtg Warrant approved 3-0.

Item 2. Colin Powell introduced approving, per Pesticide Policy, to apply grub preventor on Town owned properties. Colin read the memo. Properties included the Town Common, Fort Madison, Emerson Hall, Dyce Head Lighthouse and Fort George. Fort George will also require Source Water Protection application be submitted to the Utility Board. Gordon MacArthur made motion to approve. Second by Colin Powell. No discussion. Colin asked for votes: Gordon stated yes to approve. Roberta stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. Apply grub preventor on Town properties approved 3-0.

Item 3. Colin Powell introduced recommendation from the Harbor Committee regarding the MMA Pier Improvement & Expansion project. Colin read memo from the Harbor Committee. Selectboard all agreed with the recommendation (see attached).

Item 4. Colin Powell introduced the Town Manager's Report: Shawn Blodgett read his report (see attached).

#7 Town Office Closed: Karen and Sue will be out of the office to proof the Town Report, Thursday, 4/6/23. Gordon MacArthur made motion to approve. Second by Roberta Boczkiewicz. Town Office closed 4/6/23 approved 3-0.

#8 Selectboard Work Session: all agreed to schedule a Work Session 4/12 at 9AM.

David Avery asked to confirm the streets for sidewalk work. Shawn answered eastern side of Pleasant St; Court St to Perkins St.

Item 5. Other Business as Required: Gordon MacArthur motion to approve request from MMA NROTC unit to have their commissioning ceremony on May 6th at Fort Madison. Second by Roberta Boczkiewicz. No discussion. Colin asked for votes: Gordon stated yes to approve. Roberta stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. MMA NROTC request approved 3-0.

Communications: NONE.

Colin acknowledged the public present: -Gus Basile asked about hiring another full-time employee and said it might be a benefit if it was required that the employee be a certified firefighter on the Dept.

Attachment not included. See the Draft Meeting Minutes for the Harbor Committee letter.

-Bob Scott said he had good information about guardrails. Shawn said he thinks he's received an email from Bob with the information but would confirm.

-Mark Morgioni asked when the Fire Rescue Dept training exercises at the former Torno property would be taking place. Exercises will start Sunday, 4/9 in the late afternoon not to interfere with church (Easter) services.

-Jerry Paul thanked the Harbor Committee, Selectboard, Town Manager & Harbormaster for their support regarding the Pier Improvement & Expansion project. He said it was impressive attending the mtgs and work put in to reach a goal. He is looking forward to the Town and Academy working together to get the best overall which includes combined resources for funding for this project and others in the future.

-Helen Miller said she was extremely upset & disappointed with the way the Town has handled the Bicentennial /Women's Suffrage Celebration, cancelled 3-years ago due to the pandemic and the return of fundraising funds. Helen said she raised over \$100,000 and people are still asking her for updates. She said when she asks the Town for updates she gets the runaround. Colin, as the Bicentennial Chair, apologized to Helen that she felt the way she did and for the lack of communication. Shawn gave a review of developments and items that have been worked on especially with the Oliver Hazzard Perry. The Town and Bicentennial Committee is still trying to figure out what to do with remaining funds. Bobby Vagt, member of the Bicentennial Committee, said he was sorry that Helen felt like she did too but she alone did not raise the money. A letter was sent out from the Committee to all those who gave donations letting them know if they wanted a percentage their donation returned, as some had been spent on deposits, to let the Committee know. An address and phone number was on the letter. We were lucky that many did not want funds returned. Many people have been working on this matter and have tried to preserve the funds to use in the future. Unfortunately, we do not know yet what will be next.

-Josh Adam asked what the process was for when the Selectboard receives correspondence and decisions are made for what correspondence is recognized at mtg. He said at the last mtg 4 correspondences were issued but only 3 were recognized. It just so happens that Kevin Coady was present at the mtg, therefore, the letter from his attorney was addressed.

Josh asked if the Selectboard make a point to hide things or pick and choose what they address in public and what is handled in secret.

Discussion. Shawn reviewed a process. The letter in question was received late on Friday prior to a Monday mtg date. There was not a lot of time to absorb and research. Since Mr. Coady was present and asked about his letter the Selectboard let him address it.

Roberta said the Selectboard would review their protocols.

Gordon said there are no intentions to hide anything. They had planned to address the letter at a future mtg after they time to research the contents and have the Town's attorney review it.

Brooke Tenney said she was present at that mtg and said that the Selectboard did decide to take the time to address but a communication back to Kevin Coady that the letter had been received would be appropriate. Gus Basile said he was also at that mtg and heard the Selectboard say they would further discuss the letter after they had time to research and get opinion from the Town's attorney.

-Gus Basile about if the Fire Dept has a tanker. He understands it does not. Randy Stearns, Fire Chief, and Tom Gutow, Asst Fire Chief, said that was incorrect. The Dept has a 3,000 gal tanker. Gus asked when there would be a mtg regarding the fire station. He is upset that there have been important mtg not open to the public. Gus was corrected that there has never been any important mtg NOT open to the public.

-Selectboard member, Roberta Boczkiewicz said she had been to a seminar recently with other Selectboard members of Maine communities present and they were completely surprised when Roberta told them that Castine zooms mtg and allows public participation. Many communities do not do that.

PAST ACTIONS: NONE.

Selectboard Comments: NONE.

Upcoming Mtg:

Wednesday, 4/12/23 at 9AM – Selectboard Work Session.

Tuesday, 4/18/23 (due to the Patriot's Day Holiday) at 4PM – Selectboard/Assessors & Overseers of the Poor Mtg.

Saturday, 5/13/23 at 8:30AM – Town Mtg in Emerson Hall.

Gordon MacArthur made motion to adjourn. Second by Roberta Boczkiewicz. Colin asked for votes: Gordon stated yes to adjourn. Roberta stated yes to adjourn. Colin stated yes to adjourn. Approved 3-0.

Mtg adjourned at 4:57 PM.

Minutes by Susan Macomber, Town Clerk.



CASTINE MAINE U.S.A.

Shawn Blodgett
Town Manager & Code Enforcement Officer
Shawn@castine.me.us

MEMORANDUM

To: Castine Selectboard
From: Shawn Blodgett
Date: April 03, 2023
Re: Town Manager's Report

1. Fire Department Training. In conjunction with the imminent demolition of the home at 116 Perkins Street by the Wilson Museum, the Castine Fire Rescue Department will be taking advantage of this upcoming demolition to conduct training within and on the building before it is torn down. There will be no burning of the building but a smoke machine will be utilized so that the CFRD can conduct SCBA (airpack) training within an actual structure. Residents may see smoke in the local area but should not be alarmed. The CFRD will also be training on forcible entries and in the cutting of roofs. Other local fire departments may also be training on this building, but the primary focus will be on the CFRD. The training will be taking place on Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays with approximate hours of mid-afternoon through 8:00 PM.

2. American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Funds Update. As the attendees to the upcoming annual town meeting in May will see, we will request that the town's remaining ARPA funds of \$52,446.31 be used on two things. First, we are requesting \$42,446.31 funds for sidewalk refurbishment from the Court Street/Pleasant Street intersection down to Perkin's Street. Second, we will be requesting that the town authorize amount amount not to exceed \$10,000 on the town hiring a contracted grant writer. If bids come in lower than projected, specifically on the Sidewalk refurbishment, we will return to the town to



request authorization to spend the remainder on roadway guardrails for Water Street.

3. Community Resiliency Partnership Grant Update. We are awaiting Efficiency Maine to provide us with the final incentive numbers for the lighting upgrades before we can actually receive our CRP grant money. Efficiency Maine has had our paperwork for over a week, so we are hopeful to receive the official incentive offer back this week. Once we receive the incentive paperwork from Efficiency Maine, the state office of Innovation and the Future can release the funds and we can schedule the work to be done. I will project that this work will not begin at Emerson Hall until late May at the earliest and we will want to wait until after the Adams School releases for the year on June 15th to accomplish the Adams School portion of this project. On a related note, we are expecting the Emerson Hall heat pump installation to take place on May 3^d and 4th.

4. MMA Pier Expansion Update. The town has received Maine Maritime Academy's Pier expansion project permit applications. This project is the sole agenda item for this Thursday's work session (6th) and the public hearing posted for the 13th of April, 7:00 PM at Emerson Hall.

5. Town Dock Floats going in on April 14th. Subject to the weather, the town dock floats will be going into the water on the 14th. Castine public works is putting the finishing touches on the remaining two floats and they will be completed in the next day or so. For those that don't know, our public works crew have sequentially re-built all of the town's floats over the past three years and are wrapping the remaining couple this year.

6. Town of Castine Seeking a Public Works Employee. Castine's public works crew is back down to a crew of one. By tomorrow, the town will start



advertising to hire a second member of the team. Details of the position will be on the Castine town web page and hard copies will be available at town hall.

7. Town Office Closed on the 6th of April. I will be out of town from the 6th through the 11th of April and Karen and Sue will need to go to Ellsworth to proof this year's town report on the 6th. I respectfully request that the Selectboard authorize us to close Emerson Hall on the 6th of April due to no staff availability.

8. Selectboard Work Session Wednesday the 12th. One of the better changes we have made recently is to hold off cycle work sessions for the Selectboard. Is the Selectboard available on the 12th of April at 9:00 AM for a work session?

9. Maine Maritime Academy 2021-22 Voluntary Contribution. The town has received MMA's voluntary contribution for the past year totaling over \$150,000. Yet to be received will be another tranche of approximately \$5,000. Often, lost in conversations regarding MMA, it is lost on some residents just how much MMA gives back to Castine, so I want to take this opportunity to highlight one example.

10. Drummond Woodsum Law Firm: Kevin Coady Letter. Due to an extraordinarily busy period, no further research has been completed on this letter, but I hope to be able to get to it in the very near future.

Town of Castine Harbor Committee draft meeting minutes for 30 March 2023

HARBOR COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Castine Harbor Committee met at 4:30 PM on 03.30.2023

Present:

Zander Parker, Bill Corbet, Tim Leach, David Wyman, JT Loomis, Scott Vogel, Dana Willis

Minutes by JT Loomis

Old Business:

- Last meeting's minutes were approved.

Harbor Master Report:

- None presented.

New Business:

- Vote to submit the Advisory Memorandum re: Proposal for new MMA pier to the Town Select Board.
 - David Wyman read the following statement into the record:

MMA is an important part of the Castine community, and I totally support MMA in their need for an appropriate pier and waterfront to handle the new ship. After listening to the discussion at our working sessions and reviewing the message from Jerry Paul, I have concluded that the current MMA pier addresses the ship docking requirement but ignores the surroundings and the big picture of other future sea level rise problems. The new pier design creates a navigational hazard for those approaching or leaving the town dock. The only logical justification for moving the pier offshore from its present location is if deeper water is necessary to accommodate the new ship's draft, which is not the case. I also understand that for safety reasons, the working area of the pier should be as level as possible.

As it would be best to find a design solution that minimizes the area of the pier that is at a slope, a single lane access from the parking lot level to the new pier level would seem to be appropriate. In addition, any design should be consistent with the surroundings, primarily the existing town waterfront. There are multiple possible design solutions that put the new pier in the approximate location of the existing pier, and the harbor committee has offered a variety of better pier design concepts for consideration by MMA. Below are a few:

- 1) L shaped ramp that I previously submitted for consideration
- 2) Pleasant street could be continued down the hill at its existing slope until it reaches the level of the new pier by using a single lane bridge in the area of the present outside stairs.
- 3) The entire new pier could be built level at the required height and then accessed via a lift platform or Syncrolift type elevator.
- 4) The new pier could include a loading dock for unloading trailer trucks with a forklift.
- 5) The pier could be built at an intermediate level which includes a LEGOS type top layer that could be added to the pier later when entire area is raised.

It is apparent that none will be considered by MMA at this point. As a result, we have also looked at potential modifications to the town pier/floats that could help to lessen the impact of the MMA pier, but it should not be the town's sole responsibility to adapt to MMA's poor design.

- Zander Parker read the Advisory Memorandum into the record:

ADVISORY MEMORANDUM

To: Castine Selectboard

From: Castine Harbor Committee

Date: March 30th, 2022

Re: Maine Maritime Academy Pier Renovation Project

In response to Maine Maritime Academy's (MMA) proposed pier renovation project designed to accept the National Security Multi Mission Vessel (NSMV), the Harbor Committee hosted several working sessions to discuss and review the proposal. The working sessions were held on 02/28/23, 03/09/23 and 03/21/23. The committee members acknowledge the importance and urgency of MMA's preparations for the NSMV imposed by the United States Maritime Administration. The preservation of access and safety to Castine's waterfront are of paramount concern to the Harbor Committee whose members have raised concerns regarding the approaches to the Town and Acadia Docks.

President Jerry Paul summarized MMA's commitment to work with the Town of Castine to address concerns arising during the working sessions in the attached letter dated 03/22/23.

The Harbor Committee is of the opinion that modifications and reconfigurations for the town float systems at the Acadia and Town Dock are necessary to mitigate the concerns for safe navigation and convenient access to and from the town's waterfront, which is vital to its economic wellbeing. The Harbor Committee recognizes that collaboration and cooperation between MMA and the Town of Castine is in the best interest of both parties. Therefore, the Harbor committee accepts MMA's pier renovation project contingent upon the modifications and commitments to the Town stipulated in President Paul's 03/22/23 letter.

It should be noted: It is the view of the Harbor Committee that there are design concerns and suggestions for the new MMA pier facility that were not adequately studied or addressed in the timeframe available to the Harbor Committee. It is recommended that as plans for Phase II development (as referenced in the 03/21/23 working session) progress that the Town and MMA commit to a collaborative and cooperative process to raise the base grade elevation and reinforce the continuous bulkhead in response to sea level rise projections. The waterfront infrastructure from boat ramp to beach is essential to the prosperity of both the Town of Castine and MMA.

Castine Harbor Committee

Chair: Zander Parker

- A motion to submit the Advisory Memorandum to the select board was made and seconded. A vote to accept the motion was unanimous.

Next scheduled meeting: April 11, 4:30 PM, Emerson Hall

Adjourned: 4:44 PM.

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CASTEEN, ELIZABETH FOOTE - TRUSTEE 1/2 INT
766 CLUB DRIVE
KESWICK VA 22947

Re: Maine Maritime Academy Waterfront Campus Improvements
1 Pleasant Street
Castine, Maine

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of Maine Maritime Academy (MMA), GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc (GZA) is providing this notice of intent to request a license under the Wharves and Weirs Act (38 M.R.S. §§ 1021-1027) from the Town of Castine, Maine for the proposed pier expansion and new mooring and berthing structures necessary for the new National Security Multi-Mission Vessel (NSMV) to be named, "*Training Ship State of Maine*." Please find enclosed the public notice for the Town of Castine Selectboard's meeting scheduled for 5 June 2023 for the license request.

For further information, contact MMA's agent, Aimee Mountain, at 207-358-5116 or aimee.mountain@gza.com.

Very truly yours,

GZA GEOENVIRONMENTAL, INC.

Aimee Mountain, GISP, CPMSM
Senior Project Manager, Permitting

Cheryl W. Coviello, P.E., D. PE
Associate Principal

ADM/CWC/

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Attachments: Public Notice



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TOWN OF CASTINE

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May 26, 2023
File No. 03.0035109.00

ODEGAARD, J EDWARD
ODEGAARD, DEBORAH RYAN
1030 3RD AVENUE SOUTH, UNIT 407
NAPLES FL 34102

Re: Maine Maritime Academy Waterfront Campus Improvements
1 Pleasant Street
Castine, Maine

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Very truly yours,

GZA GEOENVIRONMENTAL, INC.

Aimee Mountain, GISP, CPMSM
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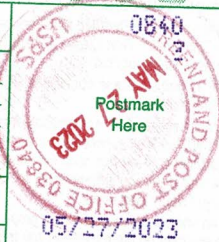
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