## **Steve Harding**

From: Jerry Kneller <jdknelle@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 9:52 AM

**To:** Steve Harding

**Subject:** Re: Cape Elizabeth Shore Line Access

Dear Mr. Harding,

How can I receive notification regarding upcoming Harbors Committee meeting open to the public to attend?

Also, I strongly concur with the two letters authored by Henry Barksdale, Sheila Mayberry and Alan MacDuffle that appear on Page 2 in Volume 30 Number 11 of The Cape Courier.

In addition, I'd like to add that it's appalling that the Town of Cape Elizabeth Council members would vote in favor to give away for free, or encumber in any way, valuable public access shoreline property based on the special interests of a few abutting property owners. Those owners know very well at the time they purchased their property that these shoreline access points are public access points and not owned or shared by abutting property owners.

However, instead of giving these public properties away for free, there should be a well-vetted process to collect public feedback on disposition of the property. If the public feedback is to give up the public access to the property, then there should be a process to auction the property to the highest bidder or to market the property through a typical land sale process which includes an independent appraisal followed a FSBO / Real Estate Broker approach. I'm certain there is value to these public access points because I know I would bid for the right to own these access points privately. The proceeds from the sale of the access points could be used to reduce CE Property Tax increase scheduled for 2018.

Let me know if you have any questions. Feel free to reach out to me, share this email with your Harbor Committee peers, and/or share without least the two Jordans, Lennon, and Grennon on the Town Council.

Regards,

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