

Harbor

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memberships.

He described how the program would offer sailing lessons for kids and adults. It could manage the commercial moorings in Dutch Harbor for seasonal and transient boaters, providing an additional revenue stream for a not-for-profit foundation. The foundation could also provide storage and launching for privately owned small keelboats. It might also manage a small fleet of sailboats that could be rented by members.

Paterson spoke up, saying, "Sorry Bruce. Sorry Jeff, but we have financing and we're moving forward. Your idea is something we've been entertaining for a long time, so it can still happen. Our financing is in place and everything will be back to normal in a couple of days. The marina isn't for sale. We're not going anywhere."

Keiser congratulated her and said, "Just in case things don't work out, we still have to discuss our options and position on the matter." DiGiando and councilman Bill Kelly agreed.

Keiser said, "A bid for \$2.5 million would require a \$125,000 binder, which we do not have.

The best we can possibly do is proceed and submit a letter of interest and intent with a timeframe to respond with a financial offer. Obviously, it will be an unusual proposal for the Special Master to review."

Kelly suggested putting an organization together with a structure and a plan.

Town Solicitor Peter Ruggiero said, "If you're going to do anything, it has to be in the form of a bid, a letter will not do it."

Keiser said the idea would have to be presented and approved by the town before making a bid. Ruggiero said that since bids were due no later than 3 p.m. on June 2, putting a package together was an ambitious undertaking. Several of the councilors agreed.

Councilor Michael White said, "I'm happy for Dutch Harbor, but I think it's a great idea if that doesn't work out. If you can do it, I think it's a great idea."

Szeptowski said, "We should put together a meeting and include the harbor commission."

Sutton asked if it were possible to meet the requirements for a bid proposal. "Could we put in a proposal without the five percent down?" he asked. "I like the idea of doing something like that, but I can't get too excited about it if we don't have a good chance of

being successful."

Ruggiero said, "We would have to make a contingency offer, and I think the creditor would be hard pressed to consider that above the others."

Keiser said, "We are talking to private money for the binder. However, we have to go to the voters of Jamestown before we can have a bond issue." He then asked if the council would like to meet on Friday to discuss the matter.

DiGiando said, "We should think about the use of that piece of property we lease to Dutch Harbor. I think it is two separate issues - buying the Dutch Harbor Boat Yard and other possibilities," he said.

After further discussion the council agreed to schedule a 3:30 p.m. meeting on Friday, May 30, to further discuss the town's position on Dutch Harbor Boat Yard.

After the meeting was over Barbara Paterson was asked if she

would name the financial institution that was funding the marina. She said, "Absolutely not. I'm not telling you anything."

On Wednesday morning, Joseph P. Ferrucci of Providence, the Special Master appointed by the court to manage the sale of Dutch Harbor Boat Yard, was called. He said the decision for the bids was still scheduled for June 4. They were not aware of any financing that would stop the bid process.

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BIRTH



Bell

A daughter, Cassidy O'Connell Bell, was born May 8, 2008 in Beth Israel Hospital, Boston, to Bebhinn (O'Connell) and Gabriel Bell of Norwood, Mass.

She is the granddaughter of Judith H. Bell and William E. Knapp of Jamestown.

POLICE LOG

Drunk driving charged

Michael Evans, 40, of 31 Southwest Ave., was charged May 22 with first offense drunk driving and refusal to take a Breathalyzer test after he was stopped for running a stop sign and speeding on Route 138 eastbound, police said.

Evans was held overnight at the police station and arraigned the next morning at Newport District Court, police said.

Warrant violation charged

Carolyn Coble, 57, of 7 Spindrift St. was charged May 23 with a warrant violation for failure to appear on a dogs-at-large violation, police said.

Coble was held at the police station where she was arraigned by a Justice of the Peace and released after scheduling a pretrial hearing for May 30 at Newport District Court, police said.

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