

Protecting the Working Waterfront and Public Access:



Striking a Balance in Hancock County

*We invite you to join us for the 27th session in our Striking a Balance workshop series, which is addressing growth and development issues facing Hancock County. The June 27, 2013 workshop will focus on public access to the shore and the working waterfront. **THIS SESSION QUALIFIES FOR 3 CEO/LPI CREDIT HOURS & 2.5 CMA/CAT ASSESSORS HOURS.***

**VFW Hall, 419 Main Street, Ellsworth
(locally known as Washington Junction Road)
June 27, 2013
6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

**Dinner begins at 5:00 PM
Workshop begins at 6:00 PM**

Registration \$18.00

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Registration Information

Name & Title _____

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Registrations will not be accepted at the door.

Please provide registration form and payment by Monday, June 24, 2013 to:

Hancock County Planning Commission
395 State Street
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Includes
Workshop
Materials and
Light Dinner.

Please join us on ...

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AGENDA

5:00 PM Registration and light meal

6:05 PM: The Status of Public Access in Maine: An Overview: What are the major challenges? *Natalie Springuel, Maine Seagrass Program*

6:30 PM: Non-Regulatory Approaches: an overview of grant funding and the role of the Maine Coastal Program, *Matt Nixon, Maine Coastal Program*

7:15 PM: Preserving the Working Waterfront for Maine's Marine Trades: A discussion of current use taxation and other tools: *Dick Clime, Coastal Enterprises, Inc.*

7:50 PM: Questions and Answers

8:15 PM: Concluding Remarks and Return of Evaluation Forms

8:30 PM Adjournment

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Did you know:

- Approximately 20 miles of Maine's 5,300-mile coast provide working waterfront access.
- Only 45 (33%) of Maine's coastal towns have some type of water-dependent use zoning protecting 150 miles of coastline (less than 3% of Maine's coast).
- Five coastal towns in Hancock County do not have water-dependent use zoning. Eight have water-dependent zoning, but allow residential use. Twelve do not allow residential uses in water-dependent use zones.
- In 2012, Stonington ranked among the ten highest value ports in Maine with a reported harvest worth \$46.01 million.
- On a national level, working waterfronts account for 4.85 percent of total employment. In Maine, the figure is 10 percent.

Striking a Balance

An outgrowth of the HCPC's Planning For Prosperity initiative, the on-going forum series started in 2004. The many development challenges and opportunities facing Hancock County spurred creation of this series. Organizers hope that the series will lead to:

- ✓ Increased awareness of state laws that affect municipal development decisions.
- ✓ Identification of key development issues facing Hancock County.
- ✓ Implementation of planning & development practices that promote sustainable economic development while protecting our quality of life.
- ✓ Constructive dialogue among municipal officials, conservation groups and the development & construction sector.