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To: President and Members of the City Council
From: Sean R. Reardon, Mayor
Date: May 8, 2023
Subject: Re-Appointment

I hereby re-appoint, subject to your approval, the following named individual as a member of the Harbor Commission. This term will expire on June 1, 2026.

Robert Dow
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April 28, 2023

Dear Mayor Reardon;

Growing up in Newburyport, I have been boating on the Merrimack River all my life. In fact my great grandfather, Osmond Cummings, was in the United States Life Saving Service (USLSS)/USCG for over forty years serving at lighthouses and surf stations such as Nash Island, ME, The Isle of Shoals (Appledore Island), Provincetown, MA, Salisbury Beach Station, Plum Island, Rye Beach and the Custom House in Boston.

I have always enjoyed being involved in our community, coaching youth hockey for ten years as both an assistant and head coach, receiving an award from The Massachusetts Neighborhood Crime Watch Commission, but probably the most rewarding was being recruited by the Mayor's office and appointed by the City Council in 1992 to The Newburyport Harbor Commission.

I take pride in working closely with the Harbor Commission and other city officials to help carry out the duties of the Harbor Commission and Harbormasters Department. I am also proud of my attendance record and the many accomplishments we as a commission have achieved over the years. It was in the early 1990's when visiting Scituate by boat and seeing the Harbormaster/Transient boater's facility I realized the need for something in Newburyport.

I have always enjoyed the quality of the individuals that have served on the Harbor Commission and have had the privilege to serve on different sub-committees that have specifically been involved in projects such as:

- Patrol boat replacement
- Engine replacement from (2) stroke to (4) stroke for increased fuel efficiency, lower emissions, and lower noise levels
- Replacement of central waterfront docks
- Upgrades at Cashman park
- Upgraded central waterfront 30-amp service to 50-amp
- Design and bid new docks and aluminum strong arms for Harbormaster and commercial fishing boats.
- Harbormaster selection committee
- Help with "Coast Guard City" application
- Harbormaster and transient boater's facility committee
- Water sheet reviews
- Short term and long-term planning

Education:

Merrimack College, North Andover, MA 01845
December 1984, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
Major-Marketing

Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill, MA 01830
December 1982, Associate in Science in Business Administration
Major-Business Administration

Employment:

October 1986-Present

Mack Trucks Inc, McDevitt Trucks Inc, Ballard Mack Sales and Service.
Oversee a specific (AOR) and customer base. Working as a Mack Sales Representative for almost 34 years, starting at factory-owned Mack Trucks Inc. on North Beacon St. in Allston, MA which was sold to McDevitt Mack and then acquired by Ballard Mack. I have enjoyed a successful career specifying Mack's in vocational, highway, municipal and commercial applications.

October 1985-October 1986

Seaboard Products Co.-Anheuser-Busch Distributor

Sales Representative responsible for a specific territory (AOR).

May 1981-September 1985

Commonwealth of Massachusetts -Department of Environmental Management.

Lifeguard, Assistant Head Lifeguard- Salisbury Beach

Responsible for the general safety of the public and beach police work.

Presented a well-respected public image, supervise specific areas of the beach as well as subordinate lifeguards.