

**Eastport City Council
Public Hearing Notice
Harbor Ordinance Amendment
Wednesday, February 9, 2011**

The Eastport City Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 9, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at Shead High School. The purpose of the hearing is to receive public input on adding Section 5.5.17 and Section 5.5.18 to the Harbor Ordinance as recommended by the Harbor Committee and to read as follows:

- 5.5.17 In order to facilitate commercial fishing operations, fishing gear may be staged in the southwest corner of the breakwater on a temporary basis. Any and all gear left in this area at minimum of overnight must have owner identification and contact information clearly marked upon it. Any gear found without this marking or left in excess of 21 days will be removed by the harbor master and retained for 60 days at the owners cost. If not claimed within the 60-day period, the harbor master may dispose of the item(s). The owner of the item(s) will be responsible for any and all costs that may be associated with the disposal. This section of the ordinance pertains only to regular and customary fishing gear and strictly prohibits any and all other items from being stored for any length of time. Items found in violation may be removed immediately at owners ultimate expense.*
- 5.5.18 When available, harbor users in good standing will have access to the harbor- owned cranes located at the facility. These units will require a regulated key for access, said keys to be provided by the Harbor Master. These keys once provided to harbor users remain the property of the harbor. They are not to be shared, duplicated or otherwise manipulated without permission of the Harbor Master. Any person found doing so may be subject to penalty up to and including immediate loss of berthing. Upon relinquishing of a berth, harbor users must return the key to the Harbor Master or his designee. Any keys lost or stolen may be subject to a replacement fee of not more than \$250.00. This is required due to special controlled nature of the keys. Any persons found accessing the crane outside the parameters of this ordinance may be subject to penalty.*

The City Council welcomes all public input.