

**Scituate Harbor Advisory Redevelopment Commission (SHARC)**  
**March 24, 2022**  
**Minutes**

The March 24, 2022 meeting of the Scituate Harbor Advisory Redevelopment Commission (SHARC) was called to order by Paul Bartkiewicz (Chair) 7 PM by Zoom.

Paul called the roll and confirmed the following:

**Commissioners Present:**

Paul Bartkiewicz

Patrice Maye

Jennifer O'Neill

Craig Rosenquist

Kyle Boyd (staff)

**Approval of Minutes**

Upon motion made and seconded, the Commissioners by unanimous roll call vote approved the meeting minutes for January 20, 2022.

**Update on Funding and RFP**

Kyle Boyd reported that the MBTA has orally approved using MBTA funds for retaining a consultant for the design phase of the Park at Pier 44. Kyle will circulate to the Commissioners the current version of the request for proposals (RFP) for the design consultant. Commissioners should notify Kyle and Paul ASAP if they have comments.

Kyle said that the RFP will be posted as soon as the Town receives written confirmation from the MBTA regarding the use of funds for design of the project.

Paul has appointed a committee of Patrice and himself to work with Kyle and Corey Miles to review the responses to the RFP, assist in the selection of a consultant and work on other implementation actions.

**Reports from Commissioners**

Craig reported on a meeting on March 22 with Ed Dixon (Friends of Scituate High School Sailing) and Scott Paine (Scituate High School Athletic Director) to discuss the sailing program and the potential for the Park at Pier 44 to be used for sailing team activities (e.g., gathering/meeting place, use of restroom facilities, storage of equipment, etc.). Karen Connally (Chair of the Select Board) and Paul Bartkiewicz also participated in the March 22 meeting. During the SHARC meeting, Ed and Scott provided more information on the sailing team (which is summarized on the attachment to these minutes, and which was distributed during the meeting), and discussion ensued among the Commissioners.

The Commission will undertake extensive public outreach when there is a preliminary design for the Park project.

### **Adjournment**

Upon motion made and seconded, the Commissioners by unanimous roll call vote approved adjourning the meeting.

Paul adjourned the meeting at 7:36 PM.

## **Background Information on the Scituate High School Sailing Program**

### **Brief Summary of Scituate High School Sailing Program:**

- Established in 2013 as the SHS Sailing Club
- Upgraded to a Varsity sport in 2019
- 2020 Season Cancelled due to Covid-19
- Competes in the Mass Bay League (MBL)
- Season traditionally runs from Mid-March to Early-May
- Team usually consists of 10-14 Sailors

### **Community Partners:**

- Scituate Recreation Department (Sharing of Boats & Floats)
- Satuit Boat Club (Team Locker Rooms & Storage Facility)
- Scituate Harbor Yacht Club (Meetings)
- Scituate Historical Society (Maritime Center Boat Shed)

### **Logistical Issues:**

- Boat storage at Boat Shed (Scituate Maritime Center) **(RESOLVED)**
- Seasonal launching of boats and floats **(RESOLVED-ONGOING)**
- Seasonal permitting from MA Fish & Game (Jericho Ramp) **(RESOLVED)**
- Seasonal authorization from Harbormaster Office **(RESOLVED)**
- Off season storage of SHS Coach Boat (13' Whaler w/trailer) **(PENDING)**
- Off season storage of sails and racing gear **(UNRESOLVED)**

### **Synopsis:**

The SHS Sailing Team is seeking the assistance of all pertinent Scituate Town Departments to help better streamline and support the logistical needs of the team. Along with our Community Partners we would appreciate input from The Waterways Commission, Harbormasters Office and Board of Selectpersons in selecting a storage facility for the coach boat and the seasonal launching of docks and floats at Jericho Ramp.

Also, we would like an opportunity to discuss the possibility of creating a more permanent facility for the SHS Sailing Team at the current site of Pier 44 on the harbor front. The team currently uses the Satuit Boat Club as a place to change into their drysuits and sailing gear, as well as the use of a couple of storage lockers for sails and equipment. They also require the use of restroom facilities and a place to seek shelter in case of inclement weather. The clubs main room also provides a place where the team can meet to discuss sailing techniques and strategy.

Though we appreciate the generosity of the club to allow us use of their facility, this is only afforded to us on a season by season basis. It would be much more efficient if the high school had a more permanent town owned facility. One that perhaps the SPS, and the community could use for more than just the needs of the sailing team.

In conclusion, I would like to point out that due to the unique needs of the Scituate High School Sailing Team, it does indeed require the assistance of our community partners and neighbors. Because unlike the other High School sports with their courts, ball fields and stadium, the harbor is our playing field. Which is an asset to the whole community, and one that our Sailors truly appreciate.

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