



MEETING MINUTES
Waterways Commission Meeting
Wednesday, September 4, 2019
Community Room, Scituate Public Library

Commission Members in Attendance: Brian Kelly, Chair; Howie Kreutzberg, Vice Chair Michael Gibbons; David Friedman; Tucker (James) Patterson; Stephen Mone, Harbormaster; Craig Rosenquist, David Sincoski; Rick Murray

Commission Members not in Attendance: None

Also in Attendance: David Haley, Associate Member; Steve Guard, Associate Member; Jamie Davenport, Shellfish Committee; Susan Harrison, Shellfish Committee; Tony Vegnani, Board of Selectmen Chair; Shawn Harris, Board of Selectmen; Officer Brendan McAuley

The meeting was called to order by Brian Kelly at 6:09 PM.

Brian Kelly made motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mike Gibbons; Unanimous Vote (9-0).

Brian Kelly decided to approve the minutes from the July at the end of the meeting.

Harbormaster Report – Stephen Mone

River dredging Project:

- 175 feet left in area A
- Area A will be finished tomorrow, survey has to be adequate before they move to the next area
- A portion of Area B will be done with funds left (over \$500,000)
- Area B is less rocks and more sand should go faster

Cole Parkway:

Engineering drawings for review for Cole Parkway will be ready for next meeting.

Next steps:

- DEP final permit needs to be approved
- Legal notices
- Public Comments
- Go out to Bid

Should start driving the pilings (47) in March if we get the permit and license.

Steve Guard, Associate Member said it should take about 2 weeks from his experience.

Dockwa has been started, worked great (Mooring Reservation System). David Friedman asked if it is working with the Mooring system we bought. Stephen Mone said it interacts with it.

Mike Gibbons asked about the dock, Stephen said he replaced an area at Cole Parkway where the dock broke. Moved 2 boats, slid the new dock in and rewired it.

Brian Kelly asked the cost of the repair, Stephen said it cost \$8,000. Stephen said he would like to get bigger tubs to raise the docks a little when they are replaced so they stay dryer.

Stephen is in the process of ordering the second load of deicers in case they are needed. The price was \$40,000.

Stephen said the Electrical system is working great. Still a few minor issues, some calls on occasion that there is no power, but they just have to turn the breaker on and off to fix the problem.

Brian Kelly asked about all the boats, Stephen said that Unit 3 is coming out of service for repair because it is down one engine.

June 20 delivery for new boat still on target.

David Sincoski asked if they were using the boats in the Herring River, Stephen said yes.

New Business

Scituate Conservation Commission - Review Compliance with Orders for the Maritime Center: Frank Snow and Penny Scott Pipes

Penny said she went to the Maritime Center and she said the maintenance has not been kept up and she was very disappointed. The walkway needed to be mowed, the landscape is being strangled, the parking lot has pot holes and the boat stances are too close to the pathway near the water.

Frank Snow said that when the Maritime Center was built it came in front of the Conservation Board, part of the mitigation was to build an artificial dune between the parking area and the road (which is getting trampled) and to keep the ADA walkway clear. He understands that there is a cost and that you also need people to maintain the area. He further explained that the plan for the property bought at the end of Sunset Road was to connect the two walkways. Franks thinks that Waterways and Conservation could work together to solve the problem. Howie said he agrees, it was funded by CPC money and it did have an ADA assessable walkway, Howie feels that we need to look at the Town's long-term maintenance programs. He also added that Waterways has talked to the Town

Administrator to try to get the parking lot fixed. The question was raised, should Waterways and the Harbormaster be responsible for maintaining a park? Frank thought maybe we could get some volunteers, who would receive a tax break by helping with the landscaping. The problem is that projects are funded by CPC but are not funded to maintain.

Howie added that the renting of the Maritime Center has been taking away from Waterways and the money now goes into the General Fund.

Stephen Mone said there was confusion and he thought that DPW was maintaining the mowing of the area and that DPW will now add it to their small parks list.

Rick Murray asked about jurisdiction. There needs to be role clarity.

It was discussed that Waterways and Conservation should decide who is going to do maintenance for the Sunset Road acquisition as well. Frank said there are orders set on a project when it goes in front of the Conservation Commission for mitigation.

Frank Snow said that the Driftway Park gets a lot of use and that we need to discuss this area further with Waterways. David Sincoski said he contacted them to try to get on their agenda, but their agenda was full for the next few months. Brian Kelly said he would like to get on the agenda as well to talk about docks (South River) that may end up in the channel (new Chapter 91 licenses). Brian said they are concerned about someone taking extra feet or putting the dock in the wrong area.

Next Special Meeting: Wednesday, September, 18 at the EOC, Public Safety Complex
Next Monthly Meeting: Wednesday, October 2 at the Maritime Center.

Brian Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 7, 2019 meeting seconded by David Sincoski, Unanimous Vote (9-0)

There being no more business to discuss, Brian Kelly made a motion to adjourn at 6:56 PM, seconded by David Friedman; Unanimous Vote (9-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Lianne Cataldo
Recording Secretary

List of Documents:

- Agenda
- Meeting Minutes

Agenda Items:

- Review budget for 2021
 - Reservation agent for the Maritime Center coming from Enterprise Budget

- Some Operational Expenses for the Maritime Center charged to Stephen's budget.
- Slip Fees
- Buoy Marking Costs – September
- October Meeting – Vote new Chairperson

Follow up:

- Request to be on Conservation Agenda: Driftway Ramp and new South River Docks
- Mooring Info going live once 3.5 fee is approved, Brian will follow up with Nancy
- There was some confusion regarding who is paying for the title search (\$400), Brian will follow up with Nancy.

Shellfish Rules and Regulations:

- Has Town Clerk agreed to receiving hand delivery of Shellfish applications, Susan Harrison will talk to her
- Timeframe to notify the abutters of a hearing too tight, Jamie Davenport will research

On-Going Items:

- Pump out Boat/Marshfield MOU
 - He will also follow up with Jim Boudreau who was supposed to contact the Marshfield Town Administrator.
- Driftway Ramp:
 - Brad White continue to work with Ducks Unlimited
 - Once a direction is established, David Sincoski and Brian agreed to work with Frank Snow and the Conservation Committee
 - David Sincoski, Ed Dixon and Brad White to be the point people
 - Design of ramp needed
 - Stephen to look into Capital Plan to see how much money was available.
- Stephen Mone to start the process of selecting an engineering firm to start Master Dredging Plan working on with Paul Scott
- David Friedman to work on discrepancies before sending final Slip Contract to Town Council for review
- Security Cameras for Harbor and Rivers: Mike Gibbons to take the lead
 - Look into getting access to Marshfield cameras to see the rivers
 - Identify blind spots, check with Scituate Harbor Yacht Club to see if they would allow cameras on their property to help monitor the harbor.
 - Look into current live feed and to see if monitored by Police
- David Friedman to do a cost savings analysis of the deicer usage