

**TOWN OF SCITUATE, MASSACHUSETTS  
WATERWAYS COMMISSION**



**MEETING MINUTES  
Waterways Commission  
Wednesday, March 1, 2023  
6:00 pm**

**Scituate Town Hall - Select Board Hearing Room/Zoom/Hybrid  
600 Chief Justice Cushing Highway  
Scituate, MA 02066**

**Commission Members Present:** Chair; Rick Murray, Vice Chair; Dave Dinneen, Harbormaster; Stephen Mone, Mike Gibbons, Brian Kelly, Howie Kreutzberg, Brian Cronin, Dave Haley, Associate Member; T.J. Malvesti, Associate Member; Kevin Norton

**Also in Attendance:** EDC Liaison; Fran McMillen, Eric Creuss, David Dauphnee, Scituate Police Officer; Brendan McAuley

**Members Not in Attendance:** Dave Sincoski, Associate Member; Steve Guard

**Chair Murray called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.**

**Chair Murray read the Statement of commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.**

**Chair Murray asked for a motion to accept the meeting agenda, which was made by Stephen Mone, seconded by Brian Cronin and voted unanimously in favor (7-0) by roll call vote. (Mike Gibbons arrived after the vote)**

**There were no minutes.**

**Correspondence - None**

There was no correspondence to discuss.

**Harbormaster Report**

- A. Cole Parkway Dock Replacement Project** Harbormaster Mone reported that the project is on time and on budget. The main docks, some of the finger docks and the pump out dock are all in the water. No major issues. Proceeding smoothly.
- B. Comprehensive Dredging Permit** Harbormaster Mone said he has a meeting with the

Woods Hole Group (contractor) March 2<sup>nd</sup>. He will give them permits dating back to the early 1900s. He is hoping that the US Army Corps will advise the town that the permits will be for maintenance and not improvements. It should take a 18 months to two years to receive a permit. Brian Kelly asked if Steven Mone had any idea of the quantity of dredge material to be removed? All areas were surveyed 2 weeks ago in 4 locations, we should know in several months the amounts of materials. Brian Kelly is interested in the financial implications. Steven Mone estimates the total cost of the dredging project could be between \$2.5M - \$3M. Certain permits can last for up to 10 years. Howie Kreutzberg discussed the South River has an open permit in the South River. The problem is the length of time it takes to complete the South River project Steven Mone is concerned about the financial costs of that project and is not ready of get back on that project due to other current projects. Brian Kelly anticipates a 2–3-year window for start this project.

### **C. Town Fish Pier Regulations**

Town Pier regulation updates were updated with strong support from the users of the Pier. They added over a half dozen new regulations to support the services of the town pier. The changes were discussed and reviewed. No action needed. Due to fee updates, they must be approved by the Select-board.

**MOTION: Recommend draft regulations and fees be sent to the Selectboard. which was made by Brian Cronin seconded by Mike Gibbons and voted unanimously in favor (8-0) by roll call vote.**

Select-board meeting February 28, 2023 Chair; Rick Murray, Vice Chair; Dave Dinneen, Harbormaster; Stephen Mone, and Kevin Norton attended the meeting to support the approval of the Code of Conduct statements. A packet of information including these statements, billing, dock boxes and insurance were sent to all users March 1, 2023.

## **Old Business—Updates**

### **A. Kayak Rack Update**

Harbormaster Mone ordered some tickets for the raffle for the kayak rack lottery. The lottery will be added to the town's website for public outreach. The racks will be delivered on May 1, 2023.

### **B. Scituate Harbor Park (Pier 44)**

Last month, the WWC received an update from the Harbor Park Redevelopment chairman detailing several renderings regarding the proposed looks of the location. March 7, 2023, there will be two public meetings to show the public the renderings.

Howie Kreutzberg would like something official from WWC that we support the general direction of this project. Howie will draft a letter.

**MOTION: Letter to the Select-board expressing our support of the Scituate Harbor Park project, Motion by Mike Gibbons 2<sup>nd</sup> /Brian Cronin. voted unanimously in favor (8-0) by roll call vote.**

### **C. Maritime Center Parking Lot**

Maura Curran is working with the Town Administrator and the DWP will be working on the entrance.

### **D. Harbor Wi-Fi -**

Nothing new to report to the Commission.

- E. Mike Gibbons asked to be added to our monthly agendas, He is the new representative to the Cole Parkway Redevelopment Committee. They meet monthly.

#### **Financial Update**

Brian Kelly reported that there is no financial update at this time as he is waiting on updates from Town Meeting, town warrants, which is upcoming April 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Tentative Remaining Waterways Schedule for 2023**

**Wednesday, April 5, 2023, 6:00 PM, Scituate Town Hall**

**Wednesday, May 3, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Town Library Community Room was changed to the Maritime Center**

**Tuesday, June 6, 2023, 6 p.m., Town Library Community Room**

**Tuesday, July 11, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Town Library Community Room**

**August .. no meeting (as of now)**

**Wednesday, September 6, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Town Library Community Room**

**Wednesday, October 4, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Town Library Community Room**

**Wednesday, November 1, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Town Library Community Room**

**Wednesday, December 6, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Town Library Community Room**

#### **Participants Q&A**

There were no participant questions.

**Chair Murray asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, 6:55 p.m., which was made by Harbormaster Mone, seconded by David Dinneen, and voted unanimously in favor (8-0) by roll call vote.**