



Town of Barnstable

Waterways Committee

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Waterways Committee Meeting Minutes April 25, 2023

A meeting of the Town of Barnstable Waterways Committee was held via Zoom on April 25, 2023 at 7:00 pm as approved by the Town Manager with the Committee's approval.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Chairman Paul Everson. Quorum has been confirmed and Everson read the following notice at the beginning of the meeting:

NOTICE OF RECORDING "Please note that tonight's meeting is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and, in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, s. 20, I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known."

Roll Call:

Board Members present: Paul Everson, Chairman; Peter Cross; Greg Egan; Todd Walantis; Gary Shramek

Board Members absent: None

Town Staff present: Brian Taylor, Harbormaster; Jay Horn, Deputy Harbormaster (DH); Alicia Lauzon, MEA Administrative Assistant

Town Counsel Liaison present: Paul Neary

Public: John O'Dea

II. Meeting Minutes:

1. March 28, 2023 Waterways Committee Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Todd Walantis and seconded by Peter Cross to approve the minutes as written; all in favor to accept minutes as written.

III. Notices of Intent (NOI):

1. Sidman, Lori, Trustee, 185 Ocean View Avenue, Cotuit, MA 02635, Map 033/ Parcel 016. The applicant proposes to repair, maintain and relocate pier head and boat lifts. Due to shoreline accretion, pier lifts will be adjusted 25 feet seaward; the pier will extend 60 feet from Mean High Water. *(Continued from February 28, 2023)*

John O'Dea is present and represented this project. Discussion ensued including possibly dredging as an alternative, but the applicant has concerns that dredging would need to be maintained annually if not more. Blueprints were shown of the changes from erosion and egression over the years, from 2001 to 2020. HM Taylor stated that with the protection of navigation in mind he thinks individuals should maintain the docks as the town does, and not extend them. There are concerns from the Committee of setting a precedent of extending piers if changes continue in the shorelines as demonstrated, as well as the sands being ever changing and you never know what the channel and the end of Sampson's Island will look like 5 years from now. Who's to say that Sampson's Island will not continue to change one way or another? One suggestion was to possibly reconfigure the pier for different access. Chairman Everson suggested carrying this over to next

month, allowing everyone a chance to look over all the blueprints that were submitted earlier that day, and to determine if there is the possibility of it being a dredging project. There was unanimous agreement to postpone any decisions until next month.

2. Robert C. Hower Trustee, 129 Salten Point Rd, Barnstable, MA 02630, Map 280/Parcel 22. The applicant proposes limited repair to an existing stone revetment.

There were no engineers present, but DHM Horn stated he has no issues with navigation due to this staying within the footprint. All in favor by roll call.

IV. Mooring Appeals:

1. Mangiafico, Edgar Sr.: RP/119 Denied mooring transfer request from grandfather to grandson Mangiafico, Joseph

Edgar Mangiafico Sr. is requesting to transfer his mooring to his grandson Joseph Mangiafico. Regulations don't currently allow for a transfer from grandfather to grandson. Edgar is 90 years old and wants to keep the mooring in the family. He is unable to transfer it down through his son because his son unfortunately passed away 5 years ago. Joseph has been using the boat for years and his grandfather would love to see him be able to continue that. He would have a 24' boat in his own name to put on the mooring. Paul is in favor of making recommendation to allow. Peter and Gary approve, and Greg and Todd say 100% yes. All in favor by roll call of recommending to approve this transfer.

2. Robinson, Patrick: CY/08 Missed mooring deadline, has been permitted since 2002 **Patrick Robinson has never missed before and not present, postponing until next meeting.**

3. Courtines, Alfred: RP/049 Missed mooring deadline, has been permitted since 2021 **DHM Horn represented this as Mr. Courtines was not present. Mr. Courtines is relatively new to the mooring process, was out of the country and had trouble with the online process. He sent a check as soon as he returned home from out of the country. All in favor of reinstating by roll call.**

V. Old Business:

1. Mooring regulations

Harbormaster Taylor states he needs a few months to propose the changes to the regulations and take a look at the current mooring fields, and size parameters. HM Taylor proposes a workshop on 9/26 at 6:30 before the Waterways Committee meeting at 7 to discuss proposed changes.

2. Marina fees

Harbormaster Taylor is working on presenting Marina fees and will hold meetings to discuss the proposed changes by Marina. He's planning on making a proposal within the next few months to update marina fees. HM Taylor would like to make a flat fee for residents, a flat fee for non-residents, and potentially for commercial slip fee. He would like to invite slip holders to the meetings in order to get both the committee members and slip holders involved.

3. Mooring Wait List lottery drawing

DHM Horn stated that the drawing was held that morning. There were 5 mooring fields with 25 names per field drawn, with the exception of Fish Hills which only had 15 drawn. This was the

second mooring waitlist lottery held in the past year. DHM Horn stated this has enabled him to get numbers back up and is looking at good movement this year.

VI. New Business:

1. School Street Town Way to Water discussion

HM Taylor stated there is a very small bulkhead at the end of School Street near Dockside Marina at the Town Way to Water. It is underutilized, with one commercial fisherman using it even though there is postage stating it is for recreational and not commercial use. HM Taylor proposes removing the small bulkhead to keep the focus of the dock law enforcement with the few fire boats. Any offloading of catch should be done at Bismore Park which is the offloading facility. All are in favor of Harbormaster's request.

2. Pleasant Street dock bid and potential new offload location

The Pleasant Street dock has been in month to month contract with 2 vessels for years. After having a discussion with town officials, HM Taylor stated they will be going to bid in the next month to allow bids from commercial fisheries. HM Taylor also proposes a new potential offload location at Pleasant St, which he has seen over the course of his career to be used to offload catch. He proposes some guidelines such as time restrictions, a fee for usage, and restrictions making it for only smaller vessels to offload.

VII. Correspondence: (Hearing to take place 5/11/23 9:30 A.M. via zoom)

1. Town Manager's Hearing for renewal of aquaculture licensed siteng041 in Barnstable Harbor for Hyon Hayes, 37 Anthony Drive, Hyannis, MA 02601 for a period of 10 years

VIII. Harbormaster Report:

HM Taylor stated the ATON (aids to navigation) have been placed, stakes were put out on the north side, and just a few more swim buoys need to be placed. Throughout the month of May, the rest of swim buoys for recreation as well as the danger buoys will be put in place. Approximately 20 vessel safety checks were done at the Gary Brown boat ramp that morning, and staff will continue to do vessel safety checks at boat ramps sporadically throughout the remainder of the season.

IX. Matters not reasonably Anticipated by the Chair: None

X. Adjournment:

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Peter Cross; unanimously voted by roll call to approve the motion to adjourn at 8:18 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Alicia Lauzon, MEA Administrative Assistant