

Waterfront Committee
Thursday, September 17, 2015
Third Floor, Town Hall
75 Middle Street
Weymouth, MA
7PM

Members Present: George Mutch, Chairman
 Nancy Blazo
 Paul Brooks
 Herb Clifford
 Paul Milone, Harbormaster
 Dan Keefe
 Ray Nash
 Pat O'Leary

Also Present: Jim Clarke
 Julie Burt

The meeting was called to order at 7:10PM.

Minutes

Mr. Clifford made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 21, 2015, Waterfront Committee meeting, seconded by Harbormaster Milone, and unanimously voted.

Ms. O'Leary made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 18, 2015, Waterfront Committee meeting, seconded by Nancy Blazo, and unanimously voted.

Harbormaster's Report

Harbormaster Milone distributed a draft version of the Waterways Section of the Town Ordinance Code to the members and he asked them to take the draft home and read and bring any questions/comments to the next meeting. He further noted that the red text is deleted text, the blue text is new text, and the black text is existing text.

Once the document is finalized from the Committee perspective, the document will move forward to the Mayor's Office for review and then will go before Town Council.

Harbormaster Milone stated that the Seawatch has been detailed and looks brand new. The boat launch is still open and Lane Beach will remain open until Columbus Day.

Harbormaster Milone stated that he talked to Jim Clarke in regards to building a maritime education facility. He would like to utilize CPA funds for this. The correspondence in the form of an email that he sent to Jim Clarke about the maritime education facility. Harbormaster Milone would like to look at Neck Street for the facility. Chairman Mutch stated that a comprehensive plan will need to be developed.

Harbormaster Milone stated that the beach usage had the same participation as last year. The floats will be out in November.

Nancy asked about the status of the camera installation. Harbormaster Milone stated that they are in the process of making a decision on the fiber optic. It was suggested that the grant term be kept in mind.

The USS Salem will be leaving the Fore River Shipyard in the near future.

Work Program 2015-2016

Jim Clarke stated that the Committee should have a discussion and arrive upon two to three items that they will work to accomplish.

Chairman Mutch suggested coming up with an agenda for day-to-day as well as long term items. The changes to the Ordinance as well as the Back River Trail were mentioned.

It was also mentioned that the new rails at the MWRA gate are a mess with obscene graffiti and a plan is needed to mitigate this.

Pump out locations were discussed. A flyer will be made up and reviewed and then put on the website.

Project Update

Open bids will be accepted on October 14, 2015, for the Kibby property with completion scheduled for May 2016. The state will match funds for this project.

There will be a boat ride on September 23, 2015, at 9:30AM departing from the South Shore Yacht Club for Representative Murphy to view the Back River.

The Fore River Bridge work is moving forward. The sheaves will be installed this week. More information on the gas compressor station will be available at the end of the month. The town opposes this project.

Other Business

Herb Clifford reported that the third of the three race series is upcoming. The first two races were successful. After the third race there will be a celebration at the Wessagussett Yacht Club and the press has been invited as well as the North Weymouth Civic Association.

Pat O'Leary asked about Committee elections. Jim Clarke will check.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on October 15, 2015, at 7PM.

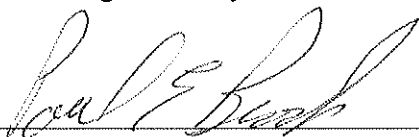
Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Herb Clifford, and seconded by Pat O'Leary, and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned at 8:10PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie S. Burt, Recording Secretary

Approved: _____



Date: _____

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