Weymouth Waterfront Committee Weymouth, MA

Remote Meeting via Webex
April 15, 2021
Minutes



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PRESENT: George Mutch, Chairperson

Paul Brook, Clerk Frank Geary Jim Sullivan Karen Graham Pat O'Leary Nancy Blazo

ALSO PRESENT: Bob Luongo, Director, Planning & Community Development

Eric Schneider, Principal Planner

State of Emergency Message and meeting information:

Governor Charles Baker has declared a State of Emergency in Massachusetts to support the state's response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Per the directive of Mayor Hedlund and the Town of Weymouth's "Emergency Declaration and Town-Wide Guidance in Response to COVID-19 of March 13, 2020", the Waterfront Committee will meet remotely for the health and safety of the board members and the public during the Massachusetts State of Emergency.

Topic: Weymouth Waterfront Committee

Time: April 15, 2021 5:00PM

The online link and dial-in instructions were provided 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

Chairman Mutch called the meeting of the Weymouth Waterfront Committee to order at 5:05pm.

Minutes:

There were no minutes available for review.

Harbormaster's Report: moved down on the agenda

Beach Walkway Update:

Mr. Luongo said he spoke to the Seaport Economic Council, and they think funding is just for the walkway on top of the revetment and not for the entire project. Mr. Luongo said this must be addressed because the town was given money for the entire project: the revetment, walkway on top and the restoration of the entire coastal embankment. He also spoke to Coastal Zone Management (CZM) and will be resubmitting for the CZM grant in May.

Ms. O'Leary suggested CZM visit the site.

Ms. Blazo asked for an update on the Regatta Road stairs:

Mr. Luongo said the town is determining license type and cost, and stair specifications. He added that he was not sure if stairs would be permitted if invasives have not been removed. He said the stairs on the revetment were still being discussed and, if stairs are wanted on the revetment, they can't be put in until work is completed.

Mr. Luongo asked for a Letter of Support from the Board.

Motion made by Ms. O'Leary, seconded by Ms. Blazo, to approve a Letter of Support for grant applications to Seaport Economic Council and Coastal Zone Management. 6-0-0 Unanimous rollcall vote

Launch Ramp Dredging:

Chairman Mutch said the ramp needs periodic dredging (last done in 1998) and is starting to fill in; the permits have also expired. He said Coastal Engineering has quoted \$50,000 (plus incidentals) to make it shovel ready with permits.

After discussion it was decided to check further into the state's responsibility towards the ramp, and outside funding that would eliminate the town's financial responsibility.

Ms. O'Leary suggested they approach Chief of Staff, Ted Langill.

Seawall discussion:

Fort Point Road:

Chairman Mutch said he spoke to Chip Fontaine who said this project is still not funded and money is needed before work may begin.

Old Business: none

New Business: none

Other Business: none

Next meeting: May 20, 2021

Mr. Brooks asked if someone from the Harbormaster's office could be present at the May meeting; Chairman Murch said he would reach out.

Adjournment:

Motion made by Ms. Blazo, seconded by Mr. Brooks, to adjourn at 5:51p.m. 6-0-0 Unanimous rollcall vote

Respectfully submitted, Patricia Fitzgerald

Approved by:

(George Mutch, Chairman

Dated: