

Weymouth Waterfront Committee
Weymouth, MA
Remote Meeting via Webex
May 20, 2021

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PRESENT: George Mutch, Chairperson
Paul Brook, Clerk
Frank Geary
Jim Sullivan
Karen Graham

NOT PRESENT: Pat O'Leary
Nancy Blazo

ALSO PRESENT: Bob Luongo, Director, Planning & Community Development
Eric Schneider, Principal Planner
Lt. Brian Morse, WPD
Sgt. Erine Metcalf, WPD

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: May 20, 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 5:03pm.

Minutes:

There were no minutes available for review.

Harbormaster's Report:

Moved down on the agenda.

Beach Walkway Update:

Mr. Luongo said the application for the Seaport Economic Council grant, has been submitted, and the application for the Coastal Zone Management (CZM) grant of \$400,000 will be

submitted May 24th. He said Mayor Hedlund has committed to mitigation money from the compressor station to cover the remaining Beachwalk costs, around \$5 million. He is cautiously optimistic about money for the project being available and hopes to start the fall of 2022.

Harbormaster's Report:

Lt. Brian Morse, WPD, said operations are running fairly smoothly. He reported:

- there will be separate entrances for the beach and the launch ramp
- there have been some shellfish violations (clammers)
- the island has been removed; the Jersey barriers will be removed
- the parking lot will be done next year
- a parking lot attendant will be present until at least the beginning of summer

Launch Ramp Dredging:

Chairman Mutch asked if the town sent out the bid for the dredging.

Mr. Luongo said they have a proposal from Coastal Engineering for \$50,000 and the mayor agreed to funding from the Waterfront account so that a contract can be executed. He said it could be about one year to complete the dredging plan and go for state funding.

Chairman Mutch suggested to Lt. Morse that a sign be posted warning people to watch for water depth at certain times.

Other Business:

Mr. Brooks commended the great job the town did on the boat naming ceremony.

Lt. Morse said the new 38-foot boat is named the Paul Milone, and Mr. Milone's old 19-foot boat will be named the Sea Watch.

Next meeting: June 24, 2021

Adjournment:

Motion made by Ms. Brooks, seconded by Mr. Geary, to adjourn at 5:32p.m.

5-0-0 Unanimous rollcall vote

*Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Fitzgerald*

Approved by: _____



~~George Mutch, Chairman~~



Dated: