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WATERFRONT COMMITTEE

Kelly Room
Town Hall
5 Middle Street
Weymouth, MA
February 20, 2020

MINUTES

PRESENT:

George Mutch, Chairman

Karen Graham

Jim Sullivan

Pat O'Leary

Frank Geary

Paul Brooks

NOT PRESENT:

Nancy Blazo

Paul Milone

ALSO PRESENT:

Robert Luongo, Planning Director

Christine Malloy, Recording Secretary

MINUTES:

Mr. Geary made a MOTION to APPROVE the minutes of January 16, 2020 as amended. Ms. O'Leary SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

HARBORMASTERS REPORT:

Skip this item as Mr. Milone is absent.

UPDATE: BEACH WALKWAY:

Mr. Luongo stated he will discuss the Chapter 91 license; the comment period was published February 26th there is a 21-day comment period for water quality, the permit needs to be submitted. Chapter 91 water ways permit commission February 26, 2020 official notification give to Mayor, Harbormaster, BZA, and Planning Board.

Mr. Luongo asked can the Waterfront Commission give Chairman Mutch authorization to comment on Chapter 91? Good news possibly get license in May. The consultant broke the project into 2 phases:

1. Walkway – nourishment
2. Embankment

Ms. O'Leary asked would you want favorable comment from the yacht club nearby? Mr. Luongo stated he will ask if it is needed and get back to the commission.

Mr. Luongo stated possible funding can come from seaport economic council, CPC funds, could bond and payback with CPC over 10 years.

FLOATING DOCK (10A PERMIT):

Chairman Mutch spoke with Maryellen Schloss from Conservation Commission – most not licensed or permitted. Concern is where they are sitting on sea grass beds.

Chairman Mutch suggested divide up areas of shoreline and each board member document and complete before April meeting. Ms. O'Leary asked can we work with drone in town. Chairman Mutch stated not necessary. If you walk on shoreline you can see most of it.

Chairman Mutch stated what we need is an inventory of floating docks. For example, 10 @ xxxxxx Street and the status of them (photos are welcome).

Chairman Mutch stated the Harbormaster tries to find out who owns the old abandoned dock and get them to remove abandoned docks from the beach. Share information with Conservation Commission and Harbormaster, discuss and possibly have removed. Just develop some data, from Idlewell to Hingham. Table topic to next month. Chairman Mutch will ask Ms. Schloss what information she will need.

JOHNSON AND WESSAGUSSETT SEAWALLS:

Chairman Mutch spoke to Chip Fontaine Fort Point Road is the next priority. Mr. Brooks asked about paving the road.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Open Space Plan

Mr. Luongo stated what happens now is the MAPC comments on the Open Space Plan then their thought if it was very good or not; town hasn't heard back from the state yet. Then the town will tweak the document from the state's comments and submit the final draft.

Recreation

Chairman Mutch stated he wants to give a shout out to Recreation Department; they put guard rails up at kayak launch, signage and built up the wall. Very nice work.

Mr. Geary suggested sending a nicely worded letter to Recreation Department and DPW to recognize the work that was done.

Chairman Mutch stated he will come by Town Hall and see Mr. Luongo and Monica Kennedy to work on sending a letter to REC and DPW on a job well done.

NEXT MEETING:

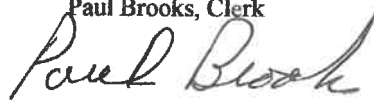
The next meeting of the Waterfront Committee will be held on March 19, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Graham made a MOTION to ADJOURN at 7:45PM. Mr. Geary SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Approved

Paul Brooks, Clerk

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Brooks". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the printed name "Paul Brooks, Clerk".

Dated

1-21-21