Weymouth Waterfront Committee Weymouth, MA Meeting Minutes September 22, 2022

PRESENT:

George Mutch, Chairperson

Paul Brooks, Clerk

Frank Geary Jim Sullivan Pat O'Leary Karen Graham

NOT PRESENT:

Nancy Blazo

ALSO PRESENT:

Bob Luongo, Director of Planning & Community Development

Eric Schneider, Principal Planner

Officer Ed Yakubian, WPD Marine Unit

Chairman Mutch called the meeting of the Weymouth Waterfront Committee to order at 5:00pm.

Minutes:

Chairman Mutch thanked the Recording Secretary, Patricia Fitzgerald, for getting the old meeting minutes caught up:

Motion made by Ms. O'Leary, seconded by Ms. Graham, to approve the January 21, 2021 minutes as written 6-0-0 Unanimous vote

Motion made by Ms. O'Leary, seconded by Ms. Graham, to approve the February 25, 2021 minutes as written 6-0-0 Unanimous vote

Motion made by Ms. O'Leary, seconded by Ms. Graham, to approve the March 18, 2021 minutes as written 6-0-0 Unanimous vote

Motion made by Ms. O'Leary, seconded by Ms. Graham, to approve the April 15, 2021 minutes as written 6-0-0 Unanimous vote

Motion made by Ms. O'Leary, seconded by Ms. Graham, to approve the May 20, 2021 minutes as written 6-0-0 Unanimous vote

Motion made by Ms. O'Leary, seconded by Ms. Graham, to approve the March 24, 2022 minutes as written 6-0-0 Unanimous vote

Harbormaster's Report:

Officer Yakubian provided the following:

- 10A permits have been assessed and approved; people are not keeping up with their permits and Ofc. Yakubian suggested a yearly \$50.00 application fee be enacted.
- A request was made for a rewording of the Ch. 12 Ordinance and a review of fees; members will review for future discussion
- With the marked increase in docks; Ms. O'Leary suggested a drone be used to take an inventory

Beach Walkway Update:

Mr. Luongo reported:

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- Final plans are not ready yet
- Stairs will cost between \$25,000 and \$45,000
- Embankment restoral; remove invasives, plant appropriate vegetation
- Stairs must be put in at the time of contract (after which there will be a five year moratorium)
- Work looks like it will begin the fall 2023; bids need to go out in November
- License agreement needs to be signed
- Greater than \$500,000 has been spent on engineering

Fore River Trail

Chairman Mutch asked board members to look at the Fore River Trail plans in preparation for the October meeting. He said it is an ambitious plan and suggested:

- Divide into sections (liability needs to be broken down by section)
- Focus on what is in the domain-
- Ask how viable will it be? Will it be used? What obstacles need to be overcome?

Launch Ramp Dredging:

Mr. Luongo said:

- Coastal Engineering will apply in October for the Notice of Intent (NOI)
- NOI Order of Conditions must be issued before a Ch. 91 License request may be applied for
- Dredging grant will be applied for once the project is fully permitted
- Information is not available yet on cost, timeline, or where the spoils will go

Durante Property:

Mr. Luongo said the NOI is scheduled to be filed this fall. He said Andrew Hultin, Conservation Dept., has been badgering the state weekly but with no success; Mr. Luongo thinks it is time to embarrass them. He added the project has been added to the MBTA July, 2023 Capitol Budget.

Next meeting: October 20, 2022 (Election will be held)

Adjournment:

Motion made by Ms. O'Leary, seconded by Mr. Brooks, to adjourn at 6:40p.m. 6-0-0 Unanimous vote

Respectfully submitted, Patricia Fitzgerald

Approved by:

George Mutch, Chairman

DAUL Brooks

Dated: