

Marina Advisory Committee Minutes

March 31, 2021

Present: Joe Aberdale - Chair, David Stamatis, Martha Wilson, Frederick Felix, Sam Peper, Kevin Coakley, Will Sullivan, Harbormaster
Regrets: Walter Baron-Vice-Chair, John Wolf

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.
Venue: ZOOM

Announcements, Open Session and Public Comments

None

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of February 24, 2021 unanimously approved on motion by Frederick and seconded by Martha

Harbormaster Report

Will reported that dock work is proceeding, including with repairs. The town's Department of Public Works has been assisting with the work. Summer help will again be hired but can be difficult to find. Dave, Jamie and McKenzie will be returning. Advertising for help is done in the Cape Cod Times and local newspapers. The new fee schedule has been implemented without any comments. Payments are being received via email with some problems. Frederick said his email lease went to his junk mail file. Joe stated that he has been having trouble receiving his lease and that he is working with Will to receive assistance.

Marina Concerns

David recommended that Will initiate using a daily log for management assistance and for checks and balances.

Martha stated her concerns about the marina restrooms as they are a mess. She would like to see them painted. Martha also expressed concern about the restrooms being locked to the public at night. Discussion ensued about the restroom showers and sink faucets being in bad condition. Porta Potties may possibly be used this summer.

Dredging Update

Joe stated that the 170 page grant application for matching funds to dredge Area 1 has been submitted by the Dredging Task Force to the state agency. Representative Peake and Senator Cyr submitted a letter of support for the grant application to be funded. Joe has been working with the staffs of our congressional delegation to receive assistance with our efforts to overturn the Army Corps of Engineers permit decision regarding Area 2. Members of the congressional delegation believe that the dredging efforts will be helped when presidential appointments are made to the positions of Assistant Secretary of the Army and the Director of the New England Division of the Army Corps of Engineers.

At the direction of the Town Administrator Joe wrote and sent a Request for Proposal for dredging lobbying services to five lobbying firms. Two firms responded with proposals in the amounts of \$25 thousand per year and \$10 thousand per month respectively. The lowest bid was received by FBB Federal Relations, the firm that has represented the town in the past. The recommended proposal and contract will be presented to the Select Board on April 13th for review and approval.

New Business and Future Concerns

Martha congratulated Will on his appointment and expressed a desire that the Marina Advisory Committee and Will work cooperatively together on the many marina issues coming up. All of the Committee members joined in and supported Martha's wishes.

The next meeting will be on April 28, 2021. Frederick moved and Sam seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Joe Aberdale.