Marina Advisory Committee Minutes August 3, 2022

Present: Joe Aberdale - Chair, Martha Wilson, Edward Kane, David Stamatis, Kevin

Coakley, Doug Straus, John Wolf, Will Sullivan, McKenzie Hartman

Absent: Frederick Felix, Will Barrio

Guest: Mathew Roehrig

Meeting was called to order at 7:08pm.

Venue: Zoom

Announcements, Open Session and Public Comment

Joe welcomed Doug Straus our newest Committee member.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of May 25, 2022, were approved unanimously on a motion made by Martha and seconded by Kevin.

Harbormaster Report

Will reported that the marina has been busy with an increase in business on weekdays. The marina parking lot has been filled on only one day. One summer staff member will soon be leaving. The bids for the installation of the marina fuel tanks are due around August ninth. There has been an increase in launches and transient slip rentals. The marina be charging \$25 for Oysterfest parking this year.

Marina Concerns

Martha expressed concern about the sand shoaling out at the end of the jetty. Matthew Röehrig stated his concern regarding boaters speeding in the channel inside the jetty and requested that a No Wake sign be placed on the jetty as it was years ago. Martha, David and Ed talked about high wakes in the channel causing safety problems for shell fishermen, kayakers and small boaters. Will will talk with the Coast Guard about buoy placement.

Robert Cocivera joined the meeting and expressed his concern regarding the accurate placement of the red buoy by the jetty. Will stated that he has to wait for Coast Guard clarification. Enclosed find Robert's email to the committee.

Dredging Update

Will stated that Wellfleet does not have the required dredging permit from the Army Corps of Engineers. The town received a \$2.5 million dollar matching dredging grant from the state.

Election of Officers

Edward nominated David for the position of Committee Vice-Chair and it was seconded by Martha. There was a unanimous vote of approval.

Future Meeting Venues

Joe shared his research with the town's media director regarding this matter. In order for the Committee to be allowed to conduct hybrid meetings the following conditions have to be met for each meeting. A member has to go to the Council on Aging Center at least forty-five minutes before the meeting to set up tables and chairs and they have to be broken down after the meeting. Someone also has to work with the media director to assist him to properly set up the cameras. The Committee unanimously decided to continue with virtual Zoom meetings as they are more convenient and more people can attend.

New Business and Future Concerns

Joe read the select board message regarding the possibility of the Committee having a Select Board member be a liaison to the Committee. This was looked upon favorably by the Committee with a request made to the Select Board that John Wolf be appointed the liaison to this Committee. Martha made the following motion. The Marina Advisory Committee requests that the Select Board appoint a liaison to the Committee with a request that John Wolf be appointed to that position. Motion seconded by David. John Wolf stated that he would be willing to assume that position.

The issue of the marina parking plan was raised. Joe stated that the Committee finalized a plan last winter which was sent to all members. Committee members felt that additional discussion would be needed specifically regarding the layout of the center section running down to the bandstand.

The next meeting will be on August 31, 2022 at 7:00pm via Zoom. A motion to adjourn was made by Martha and seconded by David. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 pm. Minutes respectfully submitted by Joe Aberdale

Document: Robert Cocivera

To: Wellfleet Marina Advisory Committee

From: Robert Cocivera, slip B-12

I have been operating a power boat in Wellfleet Harbor for over 50 years and am writing this email to express my concerns regarding the placement and/or absence of buoys in the channel from the breakwater to Shirttail Point at the end of the Marina.

These are my suggestions:

- 1. The buoy at the breakwater should be placed in line with the breakwater out past (west) of the tip of the sandbar where it has always been in the past, not inside & north of the sandbar.
- 2. Placement of proper number of buoys in the channel from opposite the launch ramp around to the tip of shirttail point.

This past season most of these buoys were not there and made navigation difficult especially for boaters not familiar with the inner harbor.

I would appreciate that these recommendations be reviewed & implemented for the upcoming 2022 season.

Thank You, Robert Cocivera