

PROVINCETOWN HARBOR COMMITTEE

Town Hall Caucus Room, Provincetown, MA

February 9, 2005

Members Present: Gerard Irmer, Chairman, Kerry Adams, Alice Brock, Heather Bruce, Ann Colbourn, Melville Cote, Alternate

Advisory Staff Present: Rex McKinsey, Pier Manager, Ted Meyer, Acting Marine Supervisor

AGENDA

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Review/amend/approve minutes of 2/07/05

The minutes were read. A motion was made by Kerry Adams to approve the minutes and was seconded by Heather Bruce. They were approved unanimously.

Public Statements

There were none.

Reports

Harbor Plan Revision Subcommittees

Chapter 91 Regulatory Framework and Guidance

The discussion started with the two paragraphs which Ann Colbourn had written titled "Guidance to DEP for water related projects." Heather Bruce did not like most of it and wrote an alternative paragraph. Although some members liked her paragraph, others felt it did not cover all that it should. Rex McKinsey thought that there was not enough guidance to the DEP concerning water-dependent use of the harbor and that Ann Colbourn's paragraphs addressed this. Kerry Adams had written his own paragraph which he hoped would be agreeable to all. His paragraph was generally approved with some slight changes. The Committee also wanted to include Heather Bruce's paragraph (with changes), as well as one sentence from Ann Colbourn's paragraph concerning marine related services and supplies.

Motion: A motion was made by Alice Brock to include Heather Bruce's paragraph (with deletion of the mention of regions) in the last paragraph of Page 1 after the first sentence;; on Page 2 to delete #9 under the Objectives and to add Kerry Adam's revised paragraph as the first objective; and to add Ann Colbourn's sentence beginning "Active uses that provide marine related services..." (with changes) to the first objective. . The motion was seconded by Heather Bruce.

Ayes: Gerard Irmer, Kerry Adams, Alice Brock, Heather Bruce

Nays: Ann Colbourn

The motion passed.

Alice Brock had a question concerning future water-dependent uses mentioned on Page 8. Heather Bruce clarified this for her. Alice Brock also had a question about the regions mentioned in the first paragraph under "On-Site Public Benefit Recommendations." She thought that more areas should be listed as needing additional perpendicular access.

Motion: A motion was made by Alice Brock to add Regions F and G (to the already mentioned A and C) in the sentence beginning "Fortunately Provincetown is blessed..." on Page 10. The motion was seconded by Heather Bruce and unanimously approved.

Ann Colbourn raised the point that part of the first paragraph on Page 12 of Rex McKinsey's draft, "not to abridge or interfere with any rights of the public," had been omitted from the new draft. Heather Bruce said that this was an oversight and that she will restore this phrase. She will also add "d" to the number of the regulation cited.

Ann Colbourn read a paragraph she wrote to replace the last paragraph on Page 18 of Rex McKinsey's draft. This paragraph had been approved for inclusion in the new Chapter 91, but needed rewriting. The Committee liked what she had written and Heather Bruce will include it in the final draft.

Heather Bruce said she will make all the changes to the final draft and get the corrected document to Kerry Adams who will email it to everyone.

The discussion continued with Appendix B. Concerning Region F, some members felt that the eastern part needed more public access. Under "On-site Public Benefit Recommendations" the sentence " Provide signs concerning a pedestrian detour off beach" was to be removed.

There was a discussion about whether the sentence, " Clean beach in front of one's property on a regular basis" had been put in the right place.

Motion: A motion was made by Kerry Adams to remove the sentence " Clean beach in front of one's property on a regular basis" from the document entirely. The motion was seconded by Gerard Irmer and approved unanimously.

Heather Bruce will bring in the corrected Appendix B and it will be approved at Monday's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Alice Brock brought up an issue concerning the new moorings at Flyer's boatyard. She said that Flyer's is not connected to the sewer system and she is very concerned that since there will be twice as many moorings, there will be twice as much waste water from showers and toilets. She thinks that this was not taken into consideration by the Harbor Committee when the moorings were granted, but should have been.

Motion: A motion was made by Kerry Adams to write a letter to John Santos asking what his current septic system is and what his plans for the future concerning waste water and the sewer system are. The motion was seconded by Heather Bruce.

Ayes: Kerry Adams, Heather Bruce.

Nays: Alice Brock

Abstentions: Gerard Irmer, Ann Colbourn

The motion did not pass.

Motion: A motion was made by Alice Brock to inform the Board of Selectmen, the DEP, and the Corps of Engineers about the situation and ask if they had taken the septic system into consideration when giving their approval. The motion was not seconded.

NEXT MEETING: February 14, 2005 at 4:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made at 6:25 p.m. by Gerard Irmer and seconded by Kerry Adams. The motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Curran

Approved by _____ on _____, 2005.

Gerard Irmer