

# Public Meeting

Thursday, March 5, 2009

Location: Blue Room  
Community Center,  
44 Bradford Street  
Time: 4:30 pm

**Members present:** Susan Avellar, Gerard Irmer, and Mel Cote.

**Members absent:** Marty Huey and Phil Scholl (both excused)

**Staff:** Rex McKinsey

## AGENDA

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

### **Minutes of February 5, 2009**

**Motion: Move to approve the minutes as written.**

**Motion: Mel Cote      Seconded: Susan Avellar      Vote: 3-0-0.**

### **Public Statements**

There were none.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Review revisions to 2005 Amendments to the 1999 Harbor Plan-----McKinsey**

Jerry Irmer said that he has copies of changes that he e-mailed to all members & Rex. It was asked that all members go over the changes suggested by the aforementioned e-mail, Rex will implement them and then the Committee can approve them at the next meeting.

Susan Avellar began a discussion about the West End Boat Ramp and the many boats left parked on the beach. She said the beach is small enough without cluttering it up with the many boats stored there. Rex agreed and said that he would still like to see a float space there again. Susan further suggested that the Industrial Arts Department of the High School could perhaps build a float. It will be looked into. Jerry thinks that just a general statement in the Harbor Plan referring to a future float for the West End beach would be valuable.

### **New Business:**

#### **Review proposal for Water Quality Monitoring for Cape Cod Bay per request from**

Pat Hughes, Marine Policy Coordinator for the Center for Coastal Studies, who was an invited guest at the "no quorum" meeting on February 19<sup>th</sup>. She came armed with hand-outs for all the committee members and a talk to tell everyone about her work on water-monitoring. (She gave the hand-outs to Jerry who told her he would hand them out to members at the meeting on March 5<sup>th</sup>.)

Provincetown's share is \$10,700 and Pat H's report was presented to Michele Couture.

Jerry got an e-mail from Sharon which was forwarded from our legal counsel, Atty Giorgio. He said

that the Harbor Access Gift Funds (HAGF) could be used for this purpose but using them would require approval from both the Harbor Committee and the Board of Selectmen (BoS).

**Motion: Move to support the Center for Coastal Studies Water Quality Monitoring for Cape Cod Bay in the amount of \$10,700 from the HAGF.**

**Motion: Susan Avellar            Seconded: Mel Cote            Vote: 3-0-0.**

**Request from P'town Public Pier Corp. - Proposed Mooring Permit Fees**

After discussing this subject at length, it was decided to put off any decisions and/or changes and hearing until the fall. The timing will be better at that time since the mooring permits expire each year on December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Motion: Move to table the subject until October 2009.**

**Motion: Mel Cote            Seconded: Susan Avellar            Vote: 3-0-0.**

**Archival Letter from Truman Henson**

Jerry gave everyone a copy of a January 27, 2004 letter from Truman Henson of Coastal Zone Management outlining the do's and don't's of crafting a Harbor Plan. This may be a valuable reference for the Committee members to use.

**Letter from Barber Beach Cleaning Equipment**

**Status of NOI for beach cleaning—latest costs for tractor and Beach Rake**

Sharon Lynn is supporting the purchase. The Harbor Committee wants to purchase a beach rake with an automatically oiled machine. Rex said that it's only for a certain area in the center of town between Pearl St. and McMillan Pier then the other side to perhaps Marine Specialities. Jerry said that the Notice of Intent hasn't been issued yet. The ConCom meeting will be held on next Tuesday, the 10<sup>th</sup>, and the beach cleaning machine will be on the agenda.

There are only 2 manufacturers in the state and the other company did a demonstration and their machine became mired. Jerry didn't get a price on the tractor – maybe around \$35K. Jerry further feels we can get a couple pieces of equipment for under \$100K.

**List of Waterfront Properties**

The Provincetown list of waterfront properties which was handed out will have to be put into one of the appendices in the Harbor Plan.

Jerry will keep everyone apprised on the rake purchase and he will also send a letter to the BoS on the water monitoring.

Adjournment happened at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Rogers Gaudiano

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_

Jerry Irmer, Chair

Date