

**Edgartown Marine Advisory Committee  
By Zoom Conference due to the Corona Virus Crisis**

**Minutes**

**Date:** December 9, 2020

**Members Present:** Bruce McIntosh, Martin “Skip” Tomassian, Ed Handy

**Other people present:** Charlie Blair – Harbormaster, Marni Lipke – recorder,  
Kara Shemeth – Schofield, Barbini & Hoehn  
Sam Hart, Matt Pelikan – TTOR,  
Bill Brine,

**Next Meeting Date:** TBD

**Meeting Opened:** 4:04PM

**1) Call to Order**

**2) 32 Ocean View Avenue Realty Trust Pier Extension Petition – Kara Shemeth**

The proposal was to expand the current small L pier significantly, angled to stay within the Faired Pier Line. The Committee discussed the size of the extension, the angle, the property location, adjacent piers, comparison with other piers in the area, as well as the property ownership history.

• *ED HANDY MOVED TO RECOMMEND ACCEPTANCE OF THE 32 OCEAN VIEW AVENUE REALTY TRUST PIER EXTENSION AS PRESENTED AS LONG AS IT WAS WITHIN THE FAIRED PIER LINE; MARTIN SKIP TOMASSIAN SECONDED: MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS: BRUCE MCINTOSH—AYE, MARTIN TOMASSIAN—AYE, ED HANDY—AYE.*

**3) DeFeo/Frigoletto Float to Existing Pier Petition – Kara Shemeth – Tabled**

**4) Report on Planning Board Meeting on Cape Pogue**

(See below: Actions and documents on file.)

Committee members attended the Planning Board meeting along with Shellfish representatives and other stakeholders. As a follow up, Chair Bruce McIntosh would draft a letter supporting the one-year moratorium on anchoring in Cape Pogue that had been discussed and voted. The Planning Bd. voted as having jurisdiction in regards to the District of Critical Planning Concern (DCPC), but had since been challenged by the Board of Selectmen.

• Harbormaster Charlie Blair advocated for persistence and timely action to preserve Cape Pogue, emphasizing regulations being in place well before winter/spring mooring reservation rush. He hoped to partner with The Trustees of Reservation (TTOR) on signage.

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**5) Harbormaster Report**

- Charlie Blair met today with the current and prospective buyers of Prime Marina and Town Administrator James Hagerty. The Marina had changed hands 2 or 3 times in recent years, each time at a profit—retaining a skilled workforce on the Island being a problem. The property held a valuable easement for use of North Wharf. The Harbormaster requested an expansion of the current Harbor office but that was not likely to be granted.
- The bulkhead repair warrant article required bonding, and Charlie Blair met with Mr. Hagerty on the licensing, engineering, and bidding proposal.
- Edgartown received the Elite Marina award for being in the top 2% of all marinas—getting 99% positive feedback from users.

**7) Committee Business**

**a) Approval of Minutes if Available**

- *MARTIN SKIP TOMASSIAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 28, 2020 MINUTES AS AMENDED; ED HANDY SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS: MARTIN SKIP TOMASSIAN—AYE, ED HANDY—AYE, BRUCE MCINTOSH—AYE.*

**b) Report on Warrant Article for Alternate**

(See 10/28/20 Minutes p.3 #8B & documents on file.)

- IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE MARINE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE DRAFT ARTICLE AND SUBMIT IT TO THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR.

**6) Dredge Committee Representative Report**

A worker injury extended the dredge work in Tashmoo now expected to finished within the week. It would then be towed to Edgartown for the Edgartown Great Pond project.

**8) Old/New Business/Public Comment**

Members expressed regret for failing to attend a December 4<sup>th</sup> meeting with the Martha's Vineyard Commission (MVC) and Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on the Harbor Plan (see documents on file & below: Actions).

**9) Items Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair - None**

**10) Adjournment**

*MARTIN SKIP TOMASSIAN MOVED TO ADJOURN 4:46PM AND WISHED EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS; ED HANDY SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS: MARTIN TOMASSIAN—AYE, BRUCE MCINTOSH—AYE, ED HANDY—AYE.*

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**Actions:**

Bruce – coordinate with Sam Hart on contacting Mr. Hagerty re: Cape Pogue Board of Selectmen agenda item.

Ed – submit warrant article for Marine Advisory Alternate.

Bruce/Marni – draft & send Cape Pogue letter to: Selectmen, Planning Bd. ConCom, Shellfish, TTOR.

All – submit meeting times and attend MVC/DEP meeting on Harbor Plan.

**Documents on File**

- Agenda 12/9/20
- 32 Ocean View Avenue Plan View (2 p.) 11/24/20
- Site Plan to Accompany a Petition to add a Float to an Existing, Licensed Pier in Edgartown Harbor in Edgartown, Mass – Peter Defeo 7 Dee Frigoletto (2 p.) 12/2/20
- Handy email re: MAC Alternate 12/7/20
- Hagerty email re: Harbor Plan Docs for MVC (2 p.) 12/9/20
- Hagerty/McKenna/McIntosh emails re: Harbor Plan Docs for MVC (6 p.) 12/9/20
- Handy/Hagerty email re: MAC Warrant Articles 12/10/20
- McIntosh letter re: Cape Pogue preservation (2 p.) 12/9/20