



Edgartown Dredge Committee Meeting Minutes

July 22nd, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Dredge Committee was called to order at 4:00pm on Thursday, July 22nd, 2021 via Zoom teleconference.

II. ROLL CALL:

The following persons were present:

Members: Ed Handy, Richard Hamilton, Peter Vincent, Dudley Levick.

Advisors: Jane Varkonda

III. OPEN ISSUES:

- a) A motion was made by Peter to approve the 7/8/21 minutes. Rick seconds, no further discussion, vote taken and passed 3-0. Dudley absent at time of vote.
- b) Jane informed the Committee that the Woods Hole Group is very optimistic about the grant applications for the two TTOR projects (Dune Restoration and Bathhouse Relocation). If awarded, the two projects will require about 15,000 CY of sand. The Committee will keep this on the agenda and Jane will report back about the status of the grant applications.
- c) The Committee discussed the Katama Landing project. The new cost estimate for the work is around \$950k, making the town share approximately \$238k. The town has appropriated \$125k but will need to ask for more money. Ed and Juliet had a discussion with Doug Cameron about the management of the project; there are two options. The first is to have the State manage the project in its entirety – the Town would provide its share of the funding up front and then would not have to be involved in the day-to-day administration. The other option is to manage the project in conjunction with the State, both entities would have to approve payment requisitions and on-site management would be a joint effort. Jane stated that she thinks the Town should maintain some control over the project. Ed stated that there should be a formal dispute resolution protocol with the State.
- d) Dudley joined the meeting.
- e) Jane will review the permits and renewal timeline to be discussed at the next meeting. She said it would be best to have WHG deal with the National Heritage aspects.
- f) Ed reported that the WHG completed the Eel Grass Survey on Monday and Tuesday.
- g) The Committee asked about the status of the post dredge survey, Juliet will email Kara for a time frame.
- h) The Committee discussed the plan for next dredge season. Ed said that dredging in Eel Pond to pump to Fuller Street Beach is at the top of the list, but it will depend on the TTOR projects at South Beach.
- i) Motion placed on the floor by Peter to approve the 6/24/21 meeting minutes. Ed seconds, no further discussion, vote taken and passed 3-0. Rick abstains.

- j) The Committee discussed the Sluiceway – there have been some issues down there. A camera has been placed at the site to monitor the removal of dams. Jane is working with the GPF about how to manage the site, the Shellfish Department has always been responsible for this.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 4:20pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare