Chappy Ferry Advisory Committee Meeting February 23, 2022 5:00 pm

A meeting of the Committee was held on the above date and time via Zoom. Members present were: Rick Biros, Bill Brine, John Dropick, Rick Schifter, Sally Snipes, Dana Strayton, Tom Tilghman, Peter Wells and Town Administrator, James Hagerty.

The minutes of the meeting of January 12 were approved.

Mike Biros advised that the tide gauge has been received and would be installed by the shellfish hatchery in the near future.

Hagerty reported that the Edgartown Finance Committee recommended to the Select Board that a \$200,000 item be included on the 2022 Town Warrant to fund the engineering work required as the next step in developing a resiliency plan to address rising sea levels. The Town will also file applications for grants which might provide some or all of the required funding.

Schifter advised that the accounting review previously discussed by the Committee was being conducted by the firm of Nardella & Taylor and that they anticipated completing their review in advance of the next meeting.

Brine, chair of the Ready Service Subcommittee, updated the Committee on the Subcommittee's process which is near completion. After some discussion, it was agreed that the Subcommittee would delve deeper into exploring the acquisition of a third ferry.

Schifter described the status of ongoing discussions among a few Chappy residents regarding efforts to form a group which might seek to acquire Chappy Ferry, Inc., from Wells and Snipes.

The Committee than engaged in a dialogue with nonmember attendees.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 pm.