



Town of Edgartown Fisherman's Landing Stewardship Committee Meeting Minutes

December 3rd, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The virtual meeting of the Fisherman's Landing Stewardship Committee (FLSC) was called to order at 10:30am on Friday, December 3rd, 2021.

II. ROLL CALL:

The following persons were present:

Members: Peter Vincent, Steve Ewing, Jane Varkonda, Ken Michel, Ed Handy, Tony Mignanelli

Guests: Joe Sieber, Eric Caplan, Mary Carty, Lionel Spiro

III. OPEN ISSUES:

- a) Motion placed on the floor by Ed to approve the 11/4/21 minutes. Ken seconds, no further discussion, vote taken and passed 6-0.
- b) Peter informed the Committee that he spoke with Town counsel and they have been approved to assist with the donation and article. Jane said she found language from some past articles in the 60s and 70s, but nothing that relates directly to a donation like this one. She will send out what she found to the Committee for review. Peter said that counsel is now also working on this.
- c) Peter suggested that it was time for the Committee to approach the Selectboard and provide an update on the situation. He asked for the draft Rules & Regs and the proposed Landscape Plan to be sent to the Selectboard with a request to be added to their next agenda.
- d) The Committee then discussed the brochure. Distribution to mooring holders will have to wait until after Town meeting but the information can be gathered and a brochure put together before then.
Mr. Sieber asked if there needed to be any outreach regarding the warrant article to accept the donated land. Steve responded, no, Peter can stand up at Town Meeting and speak on the issue if there are any questions but he doesn't foresee any opposition from the voters.
- e) Mr. Sieber asked the Committee what the point of the brochures is. He said that establishing Rules & Regulations is not terribly friendly and brochures in public places are hard to manage, they can easily become litter. He suggested a sign instead. Jane thought an interpretive plaque, like you might see at National Park, would be nice. Ken suggested explanatory signs like the ones at the Katama Farm. Steve said he had created a draft for a sign just like the ones suggested; the content includes the history of the area, environmental protection information and how to preserve the area through the posted rules and regulations. The Committee discussed whether there should be physical brochures on site for people to take with them if they want. Peter suggested something similar to what the Landbank does at their properties. All agreed that signage for the Landing would be a benefit and would show respect for both the area and the neighbors. Ken suggested that the

specific content of the sign/s should be further discussed at a future meeting. Tony suggested including a QR code that would direct visitors to a website.

- f) Steve told the Committee that Mr. Erhard is waiting to see the draft warrant article language. Peter stated that the language needs to come from an interpretation of the deed, he will speak with Mr. Erhard's attorney next week.
- g) The Committee decided to meet again on Friday, December 17th, 2021 at 10:30am.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:25am.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare