

Edgartown Dredge Committee Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Dredge Committee was called to order at 4:00pm on Thursday, October 20, 2022 via Zoom teleconference.

II. ROLL CALL:

The following persons were present:

Members: Ed Handy, Dudley Levick, Mike Shalett, Ryan Smith

Advisors: Jane Varkonda

III. OPEN ISSUES:

a) Approval of the minutes was postponed.

- b) Juliet informed the Committee that the Katama Landing contractor is waiting on a steel delivery; mobilization will likely be the second week of November.
- c) Ed updated the Committee on the launch of the dredge: Baxter has a ferry reservation for next Wednesday afternoon. Ed stated that he had spoken with Packer about the cost of transporting the crane by barge and Packer had quoted \$13k each way.
- d) Ed informed the Committee that he and Juliet had met with Garrett Albiston, Conservation Agent for Oak Bluffs, at the Little Bridge to go over project details. The project is all set to begin.
- e) Juliet reviewed the hourly rates she received for equipment services. Goodales and Remo Fullin responded that their equipment is not available for rent this season; John Keene and Handy Trucking provided hourly rates for dump trucks, loaders and bulldozers. Ed will look into other companies who can provide rates for these services.
- f) The Committee discussed the budget for trucking sand to South Beach. Assuming 5,000 cubic yards of dredged sand, Ed estimated that it would be approximately \$28,750 for the trucking and around \$7,000 for dewatering. Ed then stated that he wasn't sure there was 5,000 cubic yards of sand to be dredged.
- g) The time frame for mobilization to the Little Bridge is: dredge launch on 10/26, about a week of set up and mobilizing the equipment and dredging to begin around 11/7.
- h) Jane said the first priority for sand is the eroded area near the bathrooms at Left Fork. Ed asked how the sand would get spread there. Jane responded either Keene or the Town, to be determined. Ed stated that the Town has a loader and a skid steer that could be used with the Highway Superintendent's approval. He suggested that they meet on site as soon as the Woods Hole Group has a plan to go over. Jane said she expected a plan by the end of next week. She said sand can be stored at Right Fork until the details have been finalized and the nourishment permits have been secured.
- i) Ed asked if the Committee was on board to fund this. Mike asked Jane whether she had asked anyone in Town for additional funds. Jane stated that the Parks Department has \$50k to use for this but that also needs to cover the costs to spread the sand and then plant beach grass and install snow fencing. The Committee felt that this is a team effort and was not opposed to helping Jane with the cost of transporting sand.
- j) Jane and the Committee discussed the project costs of the South Beach restoration that was completed last year. She is attending the Coastal Conference on Monday and will present on the project.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 4:27pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare