



Edgartown Marine Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Marine Advisory Committee was called to order at 3:00pm on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 via Zoom teleconference.

The following persons were present:

Members: Ed Handy, Martin "Skip" Tomassian, Bruce McIntosh

Harbor Plan Committee: Scott Ellis, Peter Kirn, Liz Durkee

Guests: Doug Hoehn, Jordan Hoehn, Joel Kubick, Sam Haines, Ellie & Steve Wise

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Committee reviewed the draft minutes of the 7/19/23 meeting.

Motion placed on the floor by Skip to approve the 7/19/23 draft meeting minutes. Bruce seconds, no further discussion, vote taken and passed unanimously (3-0).

III. PROPOSED PIER: 189 & 191 Katama Rd

Mr. Hoehn was present to represent the owners of the properties at 189 and 191 Katama Road. They would like to modify the existing pier at 189 Katama Rd, and they would like to construct a new pier at 191 Katama Rd. At 189, they would like to extend the existing "T" at the end of the pier. At 191, they would like to construct a new pier, extending out the same distance as the existing pier, approximately 200 feet from mean high water. The new pier would be 77 feet away from the existing pier at 189 and 57 feet from the neighboring pier on the other side. The proposed alignment of the new pier is the best access from an existing boathouse on the property. Due to the proximity of the proposed pier to the two existing piers, Bruce stated that he would like to visit the site and get a better feel for how crowded it might become. Ed agreed and stated that he also would like to hear from the Harbormaster and would like to see a letter from the neighbor that they approve of the added pier. The Committee will visit the site independently and continue the discussion at the next meeting in two weeks.

IV. HARBOR MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

Ms. Durkee presented a brief slideshow to provide an overview of the current status of the plan. She then went over the items that are still needed, which include a public meeting on Eel Pond as well as a meeting with Town personnel. The Committee stated they were pleased with the progress of the plan. Mr. Kirn said more information on erosion throughout the Harbor should be included.

The Committee decided to hold a public input session for Eel Pond at 3:30pm on Wednesday 9/27, following the regular Marine Advisory Committee meeting. The meeting with town officials will take place on Friday, 9/29, at 9:30am at the Town Hall. Following the meeting with town officials, the Committee will discuss the plan's draft goals and actions.

V. HARBORMASTER REPORT

Charlie was not present.

VI. DREDGE REPORT

Ed informed the Committee that Oak Bluffs no longer wants to dredge at the Little Bridge this winter so the dredge will be going to Cape Pogue; first to the Gut and then to the Narrows and Dike Bridge. Sand will be placed on East Beach.

The new dredge skiff is set to be delivered the first week of October.

VII. WHARF COMMITTEE REPORT

Juliet reported that the Wharf Committee held the pre-bid site visit; three marine contractors attended. Bids are due this Friday, 9/15/23.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, voted and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:50pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare