

Edgartown Wharf Committee Meeting Minutes

February 16, 2024

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>:

The meeting of the Wharf Committee was called to order at 12:01pm on Friday, February 16th, 2024 via zoom teleconference.

II. <u>ROLL CALL</u>:

The following persons were present: **Members:** Steve Ewing, Scott Ellis **Advisors:** Charlie Blair, Andrew Nilson, Brian Post **Guests:** Seana Kelly, Aydinc (AJ) Guzelce, Barry Patterson, Glenn DeBlase

III. <u>OPEN ISSUES</u>:

a) AJ updated the Committee on the project: The added sheet pile was driven yesterday, along with the 2nd corner brace. The bolts have not been installed due to the high tides, which will continue to be an issue until March 6th. AJ said they plan to do as much site work as possible next week while the tides are high.

The Committee discussed Coastal's RFI #16 (stop work notice due to tides) and Child's response.

b) Steve suggested the idea that perhaps the underground fuel tanks should not be removed as part of this project and should instead be removed later this fall. This would help with the time line of work that still needs to be completed, and he also has concerns about the subsiding that has happened and the stability of the building if the tanks are removed. AJ stated that it would be better for Coastal if the tanks stayed in the ground as that is the only location on site that they can store equipment. Glenn stated that he has explored the possibility of leaving them in place, but it would require DEP's approval. He would have to get a structural engineer on site to make the determination that removing the tanks would jeopardize the building and submit that to DEP. If they approve, the tanks can be filled with concrete.

The Committee discussed the future implications of leaving the tanks in place and filling them with concrete.

The Committee discussed whether Child's can provide the necessary engineering to make the request to DEP. Andrew said he will need more information about what DEP needs but they can definitely put together a packet of information.

- c) AJ informed the Committee that there will likely be a small change order for the removal of some concrete that is necessary to accommodate the new cap wall. Coastal will do the work on a time and materials basis, AJ just wanted to give the Committee a heads up. The Committee had no objection.
- d) The Committee then returned to the discussion about the underground tanks. Steve asked whether there would be additional costs associated with the engineering needed. Andrew said there would be. The Committee discussed who would incur those additional costs.

Motion placed on the floor by Scott to authorize Child's Engineering to proceed with the engineering needed to submit a request to DEP to leave the tanks in place. The authorization is for up to \$5,000 of engineering work. If the cost of the engineering exceeds \$5,000, the balance will be billed to Packer. Steve seconds the motion, no further discussion, vote taken and passed unanimously (2-0).

e) AJ noted his concerns that if there is even the slightest risk that the building would collapse with the removal of the tanks, that this is a very serious consideration and could be a huge issue. He also noted that the high low tides will affect the timeline for the formwork needed for the cap wall. He would like to put together a list of all the tasks that will be affected by the high tides so everyone is aware of how it will affect the schedule. He said he will do his best to rearrange things as efficiently as possible but there could be costs associated.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12:30pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare