

Edgartown Dredge Committee Meeting Minutes

January 9th, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Dredge Committee was called to order at 4:00pm on Thursday, January 9th, 2020 at the Town Hall.

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

The following persons were present: **Members:** Ed Handy, Dudley Levick, Rick Hamilton, Peter Vincent **Advisors:** Jane Varkonda

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

- a) The Committee reviewed the outcome of the budget hearings, particularly the request to establish a revolving fund for dredging projects outside of Edgartown. Juliet informed the Committee that she explained the request to the FAC and the BOS, but due to the absence of a Town Accountant, the request was tabled for further discussion.
- b) Motion placed on the floor by Peter to approve the draft minutes of the 12/5/19 meeting, Dudley seconds, no discussion, vote taken and approved, 3-0; Rick abstains.
- c) Approval of the 12/19/19 minutes was postponed due to lack of quorum.
- d) The Committee discussed a plan to fill in an eroded area off the bike path, across from the dewatering location at the big bridge, with dredged sand. DEP has visited the site and is in favor of filling it in to prevent wash out of the bike path.
- e) The Committee asked Jane to see if there is an option to plant more beach grass at Fuller Street Beach, or if the nesting habitat prevents additional plantings. Jane will check with Tara and will have a planting plan as well as an estimate ready for the next meeting, if the beach can accommodate more grass. An estimate for an additional row of snow fencing will also be provided.
- f) Juliet informed the Committee that she has received payment in full from Oak Bluffs for the sale of dredged sand.
- g) Ed reported that Cow Bay Corp received 7,216 CY of sand; Juliet will send the final invoice.
- h) Ed informed the Committee that the Woods Hole Group will done processing and the information from the buoy placed off Lighthouse Beach by the end of the month.
- i) The Committee discussed dredging locations to add to the comprehensive permit including a borrow site in Katama Bay, the channel inside Senge, near the big bridge, and various areas inside the harbor. The Committee asked Juliet to review meeting notes and put together a list of all possible permit locations that have been discussed.
- j) Next Wednesday is the last day for dredging. The dredge will be hauled as soon as possible. After completion of dredging on the 15th, the crew will fill in and restore the dewatering site and the area where the trucks backed in. They'll take a couple days off and then begin on annual maintenance. No significant damage to the equipment this

year; the dredge is running great and the boat engines are all intact. The loader needs a new bucket.

k) The Committee reviewed the invoices and authorized payment of the bills.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 4:40pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare