



Edgartown Dredge Committee Meeting Minutes

MARCH 8, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Ed called to order the meeting of the **Dredge Committee at 4:00pm** on Thursday, **March 8, 2018 at the Town Hall.**

II. ROLL CALL:

The following persons were present:

Members: Ed Handy, Peter Vincent, Les Baynes, Dudley Levick

Crew: Greg Bettencourt, Donny Benefit

Advisors: Jane Varkonda, Paul Bagnall

Guests: John Crocker, Tisbury Harbormaster;

Nevin Sayre, Tisbury Dredge Committee Chairman

III. OPEN ISSUES:

- a) Motion placed on the floor by Peter to approve the 1/11/18 meeting minutes, Les seconds, no discussion, passed unanimously.
- b) Motion placed on the floor by Peter to approve the 2/22/18 meeting minutes, Les seconds, no discussion, passed unanimously.
- c) The Committee reviewed the invoices and authorized payment of the bills.
- d) John Crocker was present to inform the Committee that Tisbury received a draft Time of Year (TOY) Waiver from the ACOE to dredge Tashmoo, and they will be receiving the final version in the next day or so. The waiver allows for a dredging window of 3/12/18-3/31-18, of which 9 days can be used for the inlet and 11 days can be used for the approach. Tisbury currently has \$190K to spend on dredging, but this money is also to be used for other dredging projects in Tisbury. Mr. Crocker stated that he has contacted CR Environmental to perform the pre and post dredge surveys, which can be done next week.
- e) The Committee and Mr. Crocker discussed whether to base the compensation on a cost per cubic yard or on a daily rate.
- f) The Committee discussed the composition of the dredge material and whether it would be problematic. Donny said the digging won't be deep enough to get to the cobble and cause a problem.
- g) The Committee asked Mr. Crocker about nourishment sites. He said he has been in contact with the beachfront property owners and they all want sand, so nourishment areas are not a problem.
- h) The Committee discussed weather-related issues and how that might affect the work with such a short timeframe for completion. Mr. Crocker said there was a little flexibility with the inclusion of a bird monitor, should the weather become an issue; the hard deadline for the birds is not until April 15.
- i) The Committee discussed the mobilization and demobilization costs and logistics of getting the dredge to Tashmoo.
- j) The Committee asked Mr. Crocker to confirm that all necessary entities have been informed and have approved this work. Jane will check with the State to make sure.

- k) Les asked Mr. Crocker about future dredging needs in Tashmoo and Tisbury in general. Mr. Crocker said he would like to bring the dredge back in September for additional work around Tashmoo, which should be maintenance dredged every other year. Mr. Sayre added that the back channel entrance to the main harbor, the harbor itself and the lagoon should all be dredged periodically. Mr. Crocker added that there is an additional \$100K on the Town Meeting Warrant to dredge Owen Park and the harbor.
- l) The Committee discussed the timeline for how to make this happen and told Mr. Crocker they would be in touch asap with a draft contract and additional information regarding compensation.
- m) Mr. Crocker and Mr. Sayre thanked the Committee and left.
- n) The Committee discussed the benefit to the Town of Edgartown for doing this work.
- o) The Committee asked Juliet to review the insurance policy with the carrier and make sure the dredge would be insured for work in Tisbury.
- p) The Committee discussed whether the crew should bring the dredge over to Tisbury with the skiff, or if it should be brought over on a barge. Peter and Dudley both voiced their preference that a third party should transport the dredge.
- q) The Committee discussed the specific costs of mob/demob and how to factor in the cost of the crane needed to launch and haul the dredge. They also discussed what a fair daily rate would be, and how that would be a better arrangement than a cost per cubic yard. They decided that any mechanical failure of the dredge should be the responsibility of the crew, and the daily rate should be suspended during that time. Should there be weather-related issues that prevent the dredge from operating, Tisbury will be responsible for paying one crew member to monitor the dredge during that time.

Peter motioned to adjourn the meeting, Les seconds the motion. No discussion, vote taken, passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare