



## Edgartown Dredge Committee Meeting Minutes

NOVEMBER 29, 2018

### **I. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting of the Dredge Committee was called to order at 4:05pm on Thursday, November 29, 2018 at the Town Hall.

### **II. ROLL CALL:**

The following persons were present:

**Members:** Ed Handy, Peter Vincent, Dudley Levick, Rick Hamilton, Ryan Smith

**Advisors:** Jane Varkonda

### **III. OPEN ISSUES:**

- a) Motion placed on the floor by Peter to approve the 11/15/18 meeting minutes; Dudley seconds, no discussion, vote taken, approved 5-0
- b) Ed informed the Committee that the dredge has been reassembled (spuds and muffler) and is over at Eel Pond. The crew will hook up the pipe and start dredging by early next week. They will have to put sand on Mr. Melone's beach to get access for the loader. The nourishment plan for the beach is the same.
- c) The Committee discussed the FY20 budget; Juliet will account for the proposed COLA and include that in the salaries request, the operating budget will remain the same, per the Town Administrator's request for level funding.
- d) The Committee discussed the need for sand at Collins Beach. Since no one else will take responsibility for maintaining it, the Dredge Committee decided to donate approximately 60 CY of sand to be placed there again this year.
- e) Jane informed the Committee that Tisbury is getting a post dredge survey for Tashmoo. Town officials are pleased with the work.
- f) The Committee reviewed an email from Christine Player regarding the back-passing project at Lighthouse Beach. Ms. Player suggested that a pre-permit meeting be scheduled, with Town and State officials, to discuss the issue of the plover nesting habitats in the area. Jane still has serious concerns about how this will impact the permitting for this project. The Committee would like to invite Ms. Player to a dredge meeting on the island before anything with State officials is coordinated.
- g) Ed told the Committee that Tara had questioned why the plan was to cut the beach down (at the Lighthouse) and suggested that maintenance of the area was a more productive endeavor. She suggested reducing the scope of the project in order to facilitate the permitting process.
- h) Jane will reach out to her contacts at the ACOE to investigate what is needed for the dredging of a federal channel.
- i) Juliet has not received anything from the Great Pond Foundation, regarding the information the Committee asked Ms. Reddington for at the previous meeting. Dudley would like to see a written policy on the schedule of pond openings. It was discussed that Paul B. has the final say on what happens with the Great Pond,

authority delegated to him by the Selectmen. Dudley would like Paul to provide the information that he uses to make his decisions about when the pond is opened.

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

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and voted unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare