



## Edgartown Dredge Committee Meeting Minutes

FEBRUARY 2, 2017

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

Ed called to order the meeting of the **Dredge Committee** at **4:10pm** on Thursday **February 2, 2017** at the **Town Hall**.

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

The following persons were present:

**Members:** Dudley Levick, Leslie Baynes, Ed Handy, Peter Vincent.

**Advisors:** Jane Varkonda.

**Crew:** Greg Bettencourt.

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

- a) Motion placed on the floor by Les to approve the minutes from 1/19/17. Dudley seconds, vote taken and passed.
- b) Dudley informed the Committee that he is working on the letter that will voice his concerns about the management of the Edgartown Great Pond; he's not sure who first to present these concerns to but his primary goal is to develop a plan for the yearly openings.
- c) The Committee conducted the bid opening for the disposal of Dewatered Katama Sand, project Ref: DAC-17-24D. One bid was submitted from the Cow Bay Corporation, offering a bid price of \$10/cubic yard, up to 3,500 cubic yards.
- d) The Committee discussed the bid and whether to accept it: Currently there is too much sand at Katama to get the crane in to pull the dredge from the water, and there are no available options for places to store the sand. This is surplus sand as Bend in the Road and Fuller St. beaches have already been nourished. Dudley expressed a concern that the price offered was too low but the Committee agreed that selling the sand to Cow Bay is the best option.
- e) Motion placed on the floor by Les to accept Cow Bay's bid and move forward with the sale of the surplus sand. Ed seconds, vote taken and passed unanimously.
- f) Ed noted that the Dredge program has successfully been nourishing Town beaches for over three years now, at no added expense to the tax payer.
- g) Les noted that the ability to sell sand and generate revenue for the Town once more means the Committee is operating a successful and growing Dredge program.
- h) The Committee reviewed the quotes received for hourly bulldozer services, project Ref: DAC-17-25. One quote was submitted, from John Keene Excavation, for an hourly rate of \$212.50 for a bulldozer with an operator.
- i) The Committee discussed the timeline for the services and how to access the beach.
- j) Motion placed on the floor by Peter to accept Keene's hourly rate. Les seconds, vote taken and passed unanimously.

- k) Greg updated the Committee on the dredge and equipment: The pipe is back on Chappy; the dredge is still in Katama Bay. The dewatering pit has been broken down and the blocks are ready to be moved. Both the black boat and the skiff are still in the water.
- l) The Committee reviewed the invoices and authorized payment of the bills.
- m) Ed informed the Committee that the crew members need to get their hoisting licenses for next season and that ACE MV is offering the course for \$275.
- n) Motion placed on the floor by Peter to pay for three members to get licensed with the Dredge operating budget. Les seconds, vote taken and passed. Juliet will register the crew.
- o) The Committee discussed whether the CPC money for Fuller St. could be used to pay the crew for hourly services to grade the beach. Juliet spoke with Town counsel and confirmed that this was fine
- p) The Committee discussed the Eel grass footprint at FSB, how far out sand can be placed and at what slope.
- q) Juliet informed the Committee that Sarah Hughes was able to reduce the annual insurance rate for the dredge by about \$1200. The Committee requested that Juliet ask Sarah how the purchase of a new dredge would affect the insurance rate.
- r) Les mentioned that the Committee should come up with a list of deliverables for the Town meeting warrant article, so that all the information about a dredge purchase is laid out for the tax payers to see.
- s) Les requested that an overall review of the budget be on the agenda for the next meeting.
- t) The Committee will also be discussing next season's project/s at their next meeting.

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

**Ed** adjourned the meeting at 5:30pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare