



Edgartown Dredge Committee Meeting Minutes

JULY 6, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Ed called to order the meeting of the **Dredge Committee at 4:10pm** on Thursday **July 6, 2017 at the Town Hall.**

II. ROLL CALL:

The following persons were present:

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

Advisors: Jane Varkonda, Paul Bagnall

Guests: Jessica Wey (MVC), Martha Cohan (Herring Creek HOA)

III. OPEN ISSUES:

- a) Motion placed on the floor by Les to approve the meeting minutes from 6/22/17; Dudley seconds, no discussion, vote taken and passed.
- b) The Committee discussed the sale of the currently owned dredge: Jim Stanley, Sandpiper Mining, has continued to express a serious interest in purchasing the Town's Ellicot 370, but he has not been able to secure the funds yet. The Town has submitted a Purchase Order to Ellicot for the new dredge and it is in the process of being manufactured; postponing the sale of the Town dredge will have no effect on the process of purchasing the new one.
- c) Motion placed on the floor by Peter to continue to be willing to receive an offer from Sandpiper as long as it continues not to interfere with the purchase of the new dredge. Howell seconds, no discussion, vote taken and passed unanimously.
- d) Motion placed on the floor by Peter to approve the draft letter to send to last year's crew about returning next season, and to run the draft ad in the paper once, next week. Dudley seconds, no discussion, vote taken and passed unanimously.
- e) Jessica updated the Committee that the Master Plan is coming along and she is continuing to compile a large body of data regarding the dredge's activity over the past decade or so.
- f) The Committee reviewed the invoices and authorized payment of the bills.
- g) Ed informed the Committee that the loader has been repaired with the exception of three leaky tires, and The depth sounder Juliet ordered has been delivered.
- h) The Committee reviewed the progress report from CLE for the Lighthouse project.
- i) Juliet informed the Committee that she spoke with Carlos Pena regarding the boring situation; due to the cost comparison of a water-based boring versus a land based boring (water-based is \$18,000 more), it makes much more sense to wait another month and close the landing for a day (with notice posted in advance) to be able to use land-based borings. Ed will speak directly with Mr. Pena to discuss further.
- j) Juliet informed the Committee that the Doctor who can issue a State-approved physical certificate will be on island on August 19, and the crew can all go at that time to get their physicals for the hoisting license.

- k) The Committee reviewed the agreement for the Katama Engineering project and executed it.
- l) Martha Cohan, representing the Herring Creek Homeowner's Association, asked the Committee for guidance on Phragmite remediation at Herring Creek sluiceway. Paul informed her that the Town does not have the money to do this at the moment, it would have to be funded privately, but he agreed that it desperately needs to be addressed and the permits are already in place. The Committee discussed the options for clearing the material, as well as options for how to dispose of it. Jane said to definitely reach out to the Nature Conservancy with this issue.
- m) Martha Cohan also inquired as to the feasibility of dredging Slough Cove. Jane informed her that this area would require a permitting process. There was discussion of associated costs of permitting and how to initiate the process.

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

Ed adjourned the meeting at 4:55pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare