



Edgartown Dredge Committee Meeting Minutes

OCTOBER 13, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Ed called to order the meeting of the **Dredge Committee** at **4:10pm** on Thursday **October 13, 2016** at the **Town Hall**.

II. ROLL CALL:

The following persons were present:

Members: Ed Handy, Les Baynes, Dudley Levick.

Advisors: Jane Varkonda.

Crew: Donny Benefit.

III. OPEN ISSUES:

- a) Ed informed the Committee that Tara and the Woods Hole Group are working on a large beach nourishment project for Cow Bay and abutting property owners, and they are interested in purchasing sand from the Edgartown Dredge program this winter.
- b) The Committee reviewed the process of selling sand in the past, and discussed the possibility and legality of doing so again. Les suggested that the Committee should analyze and determine the actual cost of dredging and base the price offered for the sand on the cost of the work, so as to ensure no tax payer dollars are being used to subsidize the nourishment of any private beach.
- c) The Committee concluded that the option to sell sand should be reviewed by the Selectmen and no action should be taken until they make their determination.
- d) Motion placed on the floor by Ed to inform the Selectmen, in writing, that the Dredge Committee is of the opinion that selling sand would be a good opportunity for the Town to generate revenue (with the price to be determined, based on the cost of the work), and to ask for Selectmen approval to do so; Dudley seconds, vote taken and passed.
- e) The Committee reviewed a letter from the Selectmen about budget cuts for FY18.
- f) Motion placed on the floor by Dudley to have Ed serve as Chairman when Howell is not present, Les seconds, vote taken and passed.
- g) Ed signed the payment approval forms for the FY17 Dredge Crew.
- h) Donny informed the Committee that the Dredge is just about ready to go in the water. It is mostly painted and just needs a few more things (exhaust system, cutterhead and pump re-installed). The crew will start hauling pipe next week and Greg will call Baxter to schedule the crane, by the end of the month at the latest.
- i) The committee reviewed the invoices and authorized payment of the bills.
- j) Donny mentioned the Dredge might need a new impeller and will get a price from Ellicot.

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

Ed adjourned the meeting at 4:50pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare