

Edgartown Dredge Committee

Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2015

I. Call to order

Gary called to order the meeting of the **Dredge Committee** at **4:27pm** on **April 9, 2015** at the **Town Hall**.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present: Members: Gary, Dudley, Les.
Advisors: Paul. Staff: Greg.

Open issues:

- a) Motion placed on the floor by Dudley to accept the meeting minutes from February 12, 2015. Les seconds the motion, no discussion, vote taken and passed.
- b) The committee discussed the need to follow-up on a letter written to the ACOE by the Harbormaster (regarding the shoaling of Edgartown Harbor).
- c) Update: The dredge is resting. Sand is at Fuller St. The pipe on the beach was salvaged and brought to Gerry's. The containment area still needs to be excavated /cleared out and the jersey barriers pulled. Finally, the split-rail fence will need to be installed.
- d) Gary reported that the selectmen would like sand to be spread on Collins Beach.
- e) Greg informed the committee that in order to get the dredge back in the water for next season, he will need to spend around \$100,000 (parts and labor), replacing the hatches being the biggest expense.
- f) The committee discussed the need to appoint new committee members as the terms of all five members expire on April 30, 2015.
- g) The committee discussed the dredge crew and whether or not the foreman (Greg Bettencourt) should have a more active role in the hiring process. Greg requested that an advertisement for employment for a new crew be placed in the paper now in order to maximize the potential for securing a qualified crew for next season. The committee decided that the qualifications of potential dredge crew members should be more specific as well as more stringent.
- h) Motion placed on the floor by Les to start advertising for next season's Dredge crew now. Gary seconds.
Discussion: Dudley suggests clarifying what content the ad will contain. Juliet and Greg will discuss and record a description of the scope of work as well as the minimum qualifications needed for the job. This information will be presented for the committee to review at the next meeting, before the ad is placed in the paper.

- i) Juliet will check with accounting regarding the status of the secondary Dredge accounts, and in particular the status of the Herring Creek Fund.
- j) The committee decided to invite Nancy Shemeth from Capital Programs to the next meeting to discuss getting in line for money to purchase a new dredge. Greg and Juliet will have a quote ready.
- k) The committee discussed what they would like to see from the Woods Hole Grp and determined that a one page update report, including any remaining obstacles and a budget, would be sufficient for the time being, until the new committee members are situated and prepared to meet with Tara.
- l) The invoices scheduled for payment were presented. Dudley motioned to authorize payment, Les seconded, the motion was voted and passed without further discussion.
- m) The committee discussed the need to dredge under the big bridge at State Beach. They were unclear as to which town owned the jetty and who was responsible for maintaining it.

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

Gary adjourned the meeting at 6pm.

Minutes submitted by: Juliet Mulinare