

Edgartown Marine Advisory Committee
Town Hall
Minutes

Date: March 25, 2015

Members Present: Gary Look, Bruce McIntosh, Martin "Skip" Tomassian

Other people present: Marni Lipke - Recorder

Next Meeting Date: April 8, 2015

Meeting Opened: 3:04PM

The meeting was called to order.

1) Plan Sea Adventure Charters, LLC, David P. Thompson, Applicant Charters/Cruises
(See documents on file.)

After reviewing the By-Law the Board discussed the issues involved.

- Sea Adventure Charters' primary place of business was East Falmouth, which might invalidate the application.
- If the application were approved it should be reviewed at the end of a year for such things as harbormaster opinion, dock sharing, etc.
- Public dock space was scarce, crowded and used on a first-come-first-serve basis, making scheduled pick-ups or drop-offs chancy.
- The boat was too low for the Finger Piers and would likely utilize Memorial Wharf.
- As a six-pack the boat did not need to be inspected provided it remained within the requisite distance from the shore. Tours to Cuttyhunk and Nantucket would be more remunerative but the Sea Adventure Charters business plan was not within the Board's purview.
- There had been previous harbor tours which had been an asset to the season.
- The Launch also did Harbor tours but the option was not exclusive.
- As the Company already owned the boat there was no urgency to the timeframe so,
- **IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE MARINE ADVISORY BOARD TO TABLE THE MATTER FOR INPUT FROM HARBORMASTER CHARLIE BLAIR AND BUSINESS OWNER DAVID THOMPSON AT THE APRIL 8, 2015 MEETING.**

2) Approve Minutes

- *GARY LOOK MOVED TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 11, 2015 MINUTES AS AMENDED; BRUCE MCINTOSH SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 2 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSTENTION – MARTIN SKIP TOMASSIAN due to absence.*

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3) Old Business

The Selectmen asked to sit in on a discussion before seasonal complaints on Collins Beach parking, so it was placed on the April 8th meeting agenda (see below: Actions). The February conclusions were reviewed for Skip Tomassian, who was absent at the time (see 2/11/15 Minutes p. 2 #3).

- The Board again emphasized three major issues:
 - derelict boat and trailer dumping,
 - maintaining marine industry accessibility, and
 - facilitating Police enforcement.
- There was some discussion on whether to restrict oyster farmer parking to Katama.
- There was also some discussion on a possible Collins Beach rack for dinghies.
- Mr. Tomassian suggested a combination of permit parking with a time limit.

4) New Business - None

Meeting Adjourned:

• *BRUCE MCINTOSH MOVED TO ADJOURN AT 3:51PM: MARTIN TOMASSIAN SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 3 AYE, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS.*

Documents on File

- Agenda 3/25/15
- Commercial Marine License By-Law (2 p.)
 - Town of Edgartown Application for Commercial Marine License Plan Sea Adventure Charters (3 p.) 3/6/15
 - Plan Sea Adventure Charters LLC Certificate of Incorporation 3/2/15

Actions:

Gary – request Harbormaster and David Thompson attendance at April 8th meeting.

Gary – invite Selectmen (and maybe Collins Beach Committee) to April 8th meeting.

Gary –April 8th meeting agenda:

- 1) Plan Sea Adventure Charters,
- 2) Collins Beach Discussion