

**Edgartown Marine Advisory Committee  
Edgartown Town Hall Selectmen's Meeting Room  
Minutes**

**Date:** May 22, 2013  
**Members Present:** Chair—Gary Look, Bruce McIntosh, Martin Tomassian  
**Other people present:** Harbormaster Charles Blair, Marni Lipke – Office On Call  
MV Times: Steve Myrick  
**Meeting Opened:** 3:05 PM  
**Meeting Adjourned:** 3:43 PM  
**Next Meeting Date:** June 10, 2013

**2) Approve Minutes**

• *MARTIN TOMASSIAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE APRIL 24, 2013 MINUTES AS AMENDED; BRUCE MCINTOSH SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS.*

**1) Harbormaster: re: Summer Fuel Dock / Packer** (See documents on file.)

As reported in the press, the State Inspector failed the Packer fuel depot in the Edgartown Harbor (located on a leased municipal dock) and declared it could not operate without upgrades and remediation. Packer had since cleaned all standing water from the manholes and his electrician was working to bring all circuits up to par. Other upgrades shall be pumps, dispensers and pipes. Even ordering and delivering parts was likely to be a long timeline. The Selectmen asked for an extension to allow for Memorial Day and summer business. The Marine Advisory Board discussed:

- the technical logistics of the flooded manholes,
  - previously granted Conservation Commission permission to regrade,
  - the new pipe linings,
  - Fire Marshall instructions to clean regularly,
  - lack of any substantial maintenance,
  - a pattern of unfulfilled promises from previous similar crises,
  - the importance of having a fuel depot in a harbor,
  - Mr. Packer's 2 year rent arrears, as well as the lease and bidding history of the dock,
  - Packer profits, and good service during the summer season with a drop in quality in the Fall,
  - other Town harbor fuel depot experiences including Oak Bluffs shift from private to municipal fuel depot,
- As the issue was already before the Selectmen no action was needed by the Committee.

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- The Memorial Day ceremony with a choral shanty, prayers and the School parade to throw lilacs in the Harbor would be at 11:00AM this Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.
- There was a brief discussion on the privatized launches including the outside advertising ban.

**4) New Business**

New Katama Boat Ramp (which would be aluminum) was still in limbo because the money had not been released. Edgartown was waiting for the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to issue a license.

There was a brief discussion on a missing, conch traps and a fish box.

**3) Old Business**

An extension was granted for the Harbor Plan update. The Committee discussed optimal times and schedules for five or six workshops of the Harbor Planning Group (the three committee members, Martha's Vineyard Commission (MVC) coastal expert JoAnne Taylor and Planning Board representative Georgiana Greenough) to complete the project (see below: Actions.)

**Meeting Adjourned:**

*MARTIN TOMASSIAN MOVED TO ADJOURN; BRUCE MCINTOSH SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTENTIONS.*

**To Do List:**

**Charlie** – ask Town IT if they can scan the Harbor Plan into electric form.

**Martin/Skip** – email JoAnn Taylor and Georgiana Greenough re: Harbor Plan workshop meetings at 3:00PM on Wednesdays.

**Martin/Skip** – email 4/24/13 Minutes to Marni.

**Accompanying Documents:**

Agenda 5/22/13

MV Times Article: Edgartown Selectmen Want Suspension of Fuel Dock Closure 5/20/13

Final Edg. Shellfish Committee Leland response letter 4/16/13

*Minutes approved as amended 6/12/13*