

MINUTES OF THE WATERWAYS MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, September 6, 2016 - 5:30 p.m.

A meeting of the Waterways Management Commission was duly scheduled for Tuesday, September 6, 2016 in Room 314. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Gerald Hickey. Present were members: Joseph Hannon, Roger Race, Warren Hathaway, Geoffrey Marshall and Andrew Herlihy. Also present was Mr. Steven Melo, Harbormaster, Douglas Roscoe, David Cressman, and Debra Melino-Wender. This meeting was also posted as a joint meeting with the Select Board, and then with Community Preservation Commission in Room 315.

Mr. Hickey reviewed the Agenda for the meeting. The minutes of the last meetings were moved to the end of the meeting. It was moved and seconded to approve these changes.

A. Maritime Center: The project has changed to what is now being called "Plan C." The project structures have been pulled back to within the 25' property line setback, and twisted slightly to keep away from the property line. The Chapter 91 license was provided to the Engineer and Architect to assist with property line determination within a 2 foot +/- margin. Mr. Leontire sent a memorandum to the Select Board describing "concessions" he would like to see, if that is the correct word, with this project going forward so close to the property he is purchasing. He described his goals toward being good neighbors as no changes to the final plans; lights that are not directed onto his abutting property (down-facing lights are ok, but not spotlights; reasonable hours of operation as 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. during the boating season; locked gate access restrictions after hours of town supervision; No boom-box music, but occasional (twice monthly) acoustic live music. Mr. Leontire suggests registry filing of such restrictions to run with the land for at least 25 years. Someone again raised the issue of building only one, instead of two showers. It was reported that this would violate state plumbing codes. The question was raised as to whom is proposing "Plan C" to the Select Board and Town Meeting? Mr. Cressman stated that it should be the "Water Street Rehabilitation Committee" but claims he does not know of their status since they walked out of a meeting and he has personally received nothing in writing from any of them. Mr. Roscoe stated that he wants to see a "tag-team" approach to the town meeting presentation. Mr. Hannon wanted clarification as to what level of staffing the waterways would be required to supply for this when opened. Ms. Wender replied that "some regular presence" during the open season is expected for oversight. It should be staffed for some time of each day and not "vacant" most days. Mr. Roger Race made motion to endorse the "Plan C" as developed. Mr. Herlihy seconded, and a unanimous vote was cast in favor of the newest plan.

B. Memorandum of Understanding: The question was raised as to whether or not the source of various matching funds should be included. Mr. Cressman replied that Community Preservation was not a party to the MOU, so that wouldn't work. CPC is coming up with stipulations or conditions of their own regarding use of their funds.

Shortly after 6:00 pm, the waterways meeting in room 314 was recessed to resume in the Select Board Meeting Room for a report to and joint meeting with the Select Board. After further discussions as reported in the Select Board meeting minutes, the Select Board voted 4 to 1 (Mr. Mickelson) to support the reported Plan C to Town Meeting.

The Waterways Commission next moved to Room 315 to participate in the posted Community Preservation Commission meeting regarding CPA funding of the matching grant for this project.

Submitted by,

Steve Melo, Harbormaster