

MINUTES OF THE WATERWAYS MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday February 22, 2022 - 4:00 p.m. Zoom Remote meeting

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A meeting of the Waterways Management Commission was duly scheduled for Tuesday, February 22, 2022. This meeting was held remotely through zoom due to the Governor's COVID-19 allowances for public gatherings.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hickey. Present and participating were Commission members: Gerald Hickey, Roger Race, Andy Herlihy, Keving Murphy Patricia Sweriduk, and T.J. Salvidio. Also present for various topics were Andrea Langhauser and Cody Haddad.
2. The **minutes** of the last meeting, 2/8/22 were reviewed and discussed. It was moved by Roger Race and seconded by Patty Sweriduk to accept and post the minutes as presented. All approved by roll call vote.
3. **Conservation Commission Correspondence:** Mr. Melo described another effort to address the process of review for dock proposals. Appreciation was offered to Andrea Langhauser for her efforts to streamline and organize the process. Mrs. Sweriduk relays how this topic touches upon her role as chair of the harbor management plan implementation committee, and that she is simply trying to engage, identify issues, and collaborate. Andrea Langhauser and Roger Race are tasked with this portion of the Plan implementation.
4. **Seawall Repair:** Cody Haddad expressed his desire for Waterways to “table” any further discussions regarding pursuit of seawall repair funds to stabilize the decaying wall and adjacent parking area. Mr. Murphy moved to table further discussion on this to allow the CZM sandbar grant to play out. Roger Race seconded, all voted unanimously in favor.
5. **Municipal Marina:** Mr. Melo listed the marina project as one of 2 capital projects in the 2023 submission. The marina was not previously on the long-range capital plan since grant funding was not on the horizon at that time. Mr. Melo provided comparison pricing for a floating south dock replacement at NBYC. The purpose and style differs from the intended municipal marina, but the dimensions and materials give some guide to the cost of a floating municipal dinghy marina. Mr. Murphy described the SEC grant award meeting earlier. Dartmouth was awarded the requested design/engineering grant funds. The next steps in the process were discussed: award letter receipt, grant match, contract for services. Roger Race sees no need to wait for paperwork before starting engineering. Mr. Hickey relays that Patrick from CLE/Foth needs first to know if the plan is for the marina to be a seasonal or year-round installation. Consensus of discussions is to have CLE/Foth involved in the discussion/deliberations. Mr. Salvidio suggests inviting CLE/Foth to our next meeting for a round-table discussion on that issue. Mr. Race wants to defer a decision on seasonal vs. permanent until we can hash it out with the engineers at our next meeting. He suggests a single-topic agenda meeting followed by a vote. Cody Haddad joined the meeting at this point. He believes that the award letter and contract with CLE/Foth could take one month or less. Mr. Haddad also reiterated the need and reasons for tabling seawall discussions. Mr. Race wants to take the next two weeks to develop an overall plan of what the marina floats should look like and then use that with Foth to answer more detailed questions. Mr. Haddad asked if Waterways was onboard with the project contract proposal submitted by Foth? Mr. Race answered that Waterways wrote it. Mr. Race stated that he would re-send out the proposal to the Commission for review before the next meeting.
6. No further public comment. The next meeting is set for 3/8/2022 at 4:00 p.m. by zoom/remote.
The meeting was adjourned by unanimous roll call vote at 4:45 p.m.