

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN - BOARD OF SELECTMEN

SPECIAL MEETING – MONDAY– APRIL 22, 2013 5 PM

TOWN HALL – JUDGE WELSH ROOM

Chairman Austin Knight convened the meeting at 5:00 PM noting the following:

Board of Selectmen attending: Austin Knight, Elaine Anderson, John Santos, David McChesney and Erik Yingling

Other attendees: Town Manager Sharon Lynn and Assistant Town Manager David Gardner

Recorder: David Gardner

The following are meeting minutes, in brief:

1. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST LAW DETERMINATION**

Provincetown Public Pier Corporation [MGL c. 268A § 19]

MOTION: *Move that the Board of Selectmen vote, pursuant to MGL c. 268A, § 19 and as appointing authority for the Provincetown Public Pier Corporation to make the determination that the financial interest of appointee Richard B. Wood is not so substantial as to be deemed likely to affect the integrity of the services which the municipality may expect from the appointee.*

Motion by: David McChesney Seconded By: Austin Knight Yea 3 Nay 2 (EY, EA)

2. **JOINT MEETING PROVINCETOWN PIER CORPORATION**

Present: Pier Working Group Members: Chair Lee Ash, Ginny Binder, Richard Wood, Carlos Verde and Harbormaster Rex McKinsey.

Discussion of Pier Working Group recommendations and follow up of floating dock repairs.

Rex McKinsey outlined the short term steps taken to shore up the finger docks to protect the docks for the upcoming season. Bourne Consulting Engineering has provided a set of conditions to allow temporary use without undue strain on the facility. The boats will be removed from the docks when forecast winds are from SE to NE or SW directions at wind speeds in excess of 25 knots. The engineers also advise monitoring the facility to determine if the criteria needs to be raised or lowered based on observation.

AGM was the low bidder to replace the finger piles which were damaged during the last storm. Work will start on the main pier and to the Tee. Work should be completed by mid-May to allow ferry traffic, with the entire project done by Memorial Day.

Silting in the area of the Waterfront Park adjacent to 1W and courtesy docks. Dredging was done just two years ago on an emergency basis. More discussion later in tonight's meeting.

All the repairs are coming out of the Capital Reserves Fund from the Pier Corp. MEMA and FEMA reimbursement has been requested. The weather event has been declared a disaster by federal government.

Election ballot #2 will fund the wave study and design documents for the replacement of the floating docks. The PPPC will use media outlets to educate folks as to why it is necessary to approve Ballot Question #2.

Wave attenuation could be floating or fixed and could protect more of the coastline from storm damage.

Ginny Bender - recalls that wave attenuation was always a part of the original plans for the pier. Wave attenuation is necessary to protect the pier and the harbor long term and the harbor.

Carlos Verde - concerned about what will happen if Ballot Question #2 is not approved as the pier will still be unsafe because any current repairs are temporary.

Elaine Anderson - Gates to protect the public from going on the damaged piers are a good idea.

Need to post and meet with the ConCom and Harbor Committee as soon as possible so that we can move forward the request for emergency dredging. A long term dredging plan is needed to prevent future silting problems in this area.

3. OTHER – None

Motion to adjourn by at 5:45 PM.

Minutes transcribed by: Vernon Porter, Secretary to Board of Selectmen
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