



Harbor Committee

Public Meeting

**Tuesday, February 12, 2019
Provincetown Town Hall
Caucus Hall Meeting Room
260 Commercial Street**

Minutes

I. Meeting called to order at 5:04pm by acting chair Susan Avellar.

Members present: Laura Ludwig, Acting Chair Susan Avellar, Elise Cozzi, Bryan Legare, John Santos (over the phone). Chair David Flattery excused (snow event). Rex McKinsey, Harbormaster. Jim Vincent & Heith Martinez, consultants with JMVCC.

II. Review/amend/approve minutes

Elise moved to approve the minutes of January 16, 2019 as written. Laura seconded. Roll call vote – All say aye (John abstained) and motion passed.

III. Public Statements – n/a

IV. Harbormaster Report

Construction Update – Work on floating docks and wave attenuator proceeds in the late planning phase. Plans will go before the Select Board on Feb. 25th for approval and then once signed off by Town Manager will be sent to the bidder for final execution of the contract. A pre-construction meeting will be held in March with Pier Corp, BOS, construction company, clerk of the works and harbor committee (staff and/or committee member).

Shark Working Group update – “Stop The Bleed” training will be offered by the Provincetown rescue squad, open to town staff, appropriate volunteers and the general public (space permitting). The group is finalizing warning signage for both the bay and the backside.

V. New Business (taken out of order in consideration of visiting consultants):

Chapter 91 Project consultants introduced themselves and reviewed their proposal which is broken into five phases over 18 months. A handout was provided with all the details.

- Phase 1 will inventory the licenses held at DEP in Boston and here in Provincetown to assess who has one (and whether it has amnesty), who does not, and who is in the

process of getting one. Consultants will work with the town MIS dept. to map everything and determine where major public access problems may exist.

- Phase 2 involves determining compliance assistance/enforcement strategy.
- During Phase 3 outreach to property owners will be conducted.
- Phase 4 is to determine roles – who will monitor properties, ensure compliance.
- Phase 5 will yield a manual on all the ins and outs of Ch. 91 for use by the town and this committee to ensure continuity over time. Bryan suggested posting all properties on the MassGIS website for ease of access. Laura suggested the consultants reference David Dunlap's website and book Building Provincetown for history on individual waterfront properties.

The consultants noted that Provincetown is the only coastal town in the Commonwealth with amnestied properties, and that they will need to review approximately 200 licenses. They reminded us that the outcome will be a positive one for the town, both in providing public access to the waterfront, and in generating funds for the Harbor Access Gift Fund.

Laura moved that Susan Avellar be the committee rep to interface w/ the consultants moving forward. Bryan seconded the motion. A roll-call vote was taken; all were in favor (Susan abstained).

Volunteer beach clean-ups: Laura reported that a group of volunteers (including David F.) cleared the east end beach of debris on January 26th and requested assistance from DPW to remove the large wood pilings and deck debris.

Laura reported that a program called "Trash Your Tackle" may be coming to town soon. Wild Care (Eastham) is initiating the monofilament recycling program in Chatham and has requested the assistance of the Harbor Committee to site it in Provincetown soon. Receptacles will be placed at strategic locations to assist anglers with monofilament disposal.

VI. New Business:

Sign project – After discussing the locations and size needs, Laura asked about whether we had money to hire a professional designer to incorporate all the content we'd like to see on harborfront signage. Rex suggested that HAGF could be used. Elise and Laura will review existing signage at town landings and access points, and then meet with Rex to summarize the specs for a designer. Design must be versatile to allow for different scales of info and placement. We will solicit at least 3 quotes and hope to have the signs in place prior to the busy summer.

Locations include the town landings, boat ramp, MacMillan Pier and Provincetown Marina for the harborwalk, Johnson and Ryder Street beachheads, and the Breakwater rotary.

VII. Adjourn - John moved to adjourn. Bryan seconded. Roll-call vote was taken and meeting adjourned at 6:03pm.

Next HC meeting - Next tentatively scheduled meeting on Wednesday, March 6 at 5:00pm in Town Hall if needed