



Harbor Committee

Special Joint Meeting

Harbor Committee with Select Board
Wednesday, September 9, 2019
Provincetown Town Hall
Judge Welsh Room

Minutes

I. HC Meeting Called to Order at 4:57pm

Members present: David Flattery, Chair; Susan Avellar; Laura Ludwig, Elise Cozzi, John Santos.

The committee joined the Select Board meeting. David F read a statement and introduced the other members. Laura read this motion into the record:

It was moved by John Santos at [the Harbor Committee's] 9/4/19 meeting that, "Given that the Harbor Committee has purview over harbor regulations and the Municipal Harbor Plan, we move to recommend to the Select Board to separate the Harbormaster's position and office [*Harbormaster Services*] from the Provincetown Public Pier Corporation and that the management of the Harbor and Harbormaster position be overseen by Town Manager pursuant to the Town Charter." David Flattery seconded and all were in favor (4-0).

Susan presented the HMP, which was successful in large part due to the role of Harbormaster Rex McKinsey in shepherding its process.

Elise spoke about the poor judgment used in removing the Harbormaster during the height of the season, particularly without informing the Harbor Committee.

Laura spoke about Rex's qualifications and strengths over a wide range of circumstances. David F. closed the group statement.

David G. clarified the process and situation regarding Rex's special work detail. Members of the Select Board had an opportunity to ask questions. David G. reviewed language from the Harbormaster's Agreement w/ PPPC (expired 2017) and encouraged additional discussion about the relationship between the town and Pier Corp. All agreed a dedicated meeting to address the situation is warranted.

Bobby Anthony ceded his question/comment time to John Santos, who confirmed the committee's support for separating the Harbormaster Services from the PPPC.

VII. Adjourn 5:50 pm