

Harbor Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes - Thursday, April 20, 2023

Present: Harbor Master Mike Yorke, Chairman Mike Caplan, Dave Harrison, Phil Breton, Paul Dever, Eric Sprague, Derek Peters, Andy Case, Selectman Liaison Bob Foley, Meeting Recorder Cinni Davidson

Excused: Charlie Bashaw

1. Welcome new member Andy Case.
2. We need one more member. Shawn Dumas has purchased the boatyard from Scott and Brandy. Scott recommended having him join the HAC and the members concurred.
3. The January 26 minutes were approved at the March 30 meeting. The March minutes will be reviewed and approved in May.
4. Harbor Master Report:

a) Status of the 2023 fall dredge

Need a wildlife habitat agreement with the property owners who are receiving sand. Signatures are coming in slowly. May 1 is the deadline for the Wells Beach paperwork. Mike suggested dumping the excess sand on Drakes Island or running a pipe to put it at Casino Square.

b) New motor installed on HM boat.

The motor is working well. Mike is working on the electrical system.

c) Latest status on commercial docking area

DOT has a grant and the Town has matching funds. The new docks will be installed tomorrow or next week on the east side.

d) Latest status on harbor and floats for 2023 season

We are buying 2 per year at \$15,000 if we get the grant. Mike is postponing adding new floats until after the dredge.

e) Plot plan for old clam building

Bob Foley spoke with Mike Livingston. The Planning Office is overwhelmed with new projects at the moment.

f) Ordering signage for parking based on HAC site walk

The signs have been ordered and the Public Works Department is working on them.

5. Harbor Clean Up Day will be held this Saturday, April 22 from 10-12. Meet at the Harbor by Mike's shack. Over 220 volunteers have signed up.

6. Marking channel for low tide safety

Two red buoys are in during the season and removed over the winter.

7. Open to the public.

There were no comments.

8. Next meeting May 25 at 4 PM. The HAC will meet in June and take July/August off.

Respectfully submitted,

Cinndi Davidson, Meeting Recorder

Accepted by,

Mike Caplan, Chairman