



Town of Barnstable

Waterways Committee

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Waterways Committee Meeting Minutes November 23, 2021

A meeting of the Town of Barnstable Waterways Committee was held via Zoom due to the Governor's orders regarding COVID19 on November 23, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Paul Everson, quorum has been confirmed and Everson read the following notice at the beginning of the meeting:

NOTICE OF RECORDING "Please note that tonight's meeting is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and, in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, s. 20, I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known."

Roll Call:

Board Members present: Peter Cross, Greg Egan, Chairman Paul Everson, Todd Walantis

Board Members absent: Frederick Komenda

Town Staff present: Brian Taylor, Harbormaster, Pam Swider-Cohen

Town Counsel Liaison present: Paul Neary (at 7:15 pm)

Public: Chuck Rowland - Sullivan Engineering, Sarah Turano-Flores, Todd Turcotte, Charlie Agro, Arlene Wilson – A. M. Wilson and Associates, Inc.

II. Meeting Minutes

1. September 28, 2021 Waterways Meeting Minutes: Motion was made by Peter Cross and seconded by Todd Walantis to approve the minutes as written; all voted to accept minutes by roll call vote.

III. Notices of Intent (NOI)

1. Landry, Marc R and Allen, Nancy F, 494 Elliott Road, Centerville, MA 02632, Map 226/Parcel 192. Applicant proposes to construct a boardwalk over 100 feet long with kayak racks which would run over salt marsh and approximately 17 feet of shallows and the Centerville River.

Arlene Wilson of A.M. Wilson and Associates, Inc. represents this project and reported to the committee that at this time, the applicants have withdrawn the boardwalk from the plans before the Town's Conservation Commission. They are considering making changes to the placement of it. Wilson thinks it will be presented to the Committee next month. At this time no vote was taken by the committee.

2. Raffo, Carla, 1855 South County Road, Marstons Mills, Map 098/Parcel 023 002. The applicant proposes to construct and maintain a boardwalk, pier, ramp and float for non-motorized vessels.

Chuck Rowland of Sullivan Engineering is representing this project. He stated the pier is 82' with only 49' above mean low water. The water depth is .8 of a foot of water. It is only for non-motorized vessels. By roll call the committee members are all in favor of this project as proposed.

3. Matskevich, Yuriy and Yelena, 24 Flume Avenue, Marstons Mills, MA 02648, Map 61/Lot 50. The applicants propose to construct a permanent L- shaped pier. The decking to run 72 feet out from the beach and 65 feet out from MHW on the pond.

Arlene Wilson of A. M. Wilson and Associates is representing this project. The applicant has two vessels a 14' aluminum runabout and 16' pontoon both engines are 9.9 horse power due to the limits of the pond. The shoreline is mapped by Mass Natural Heritage for endangered fresh water mussels. Committee members inquired to the large length of the proposed project and Wilson explained that this is needed due to the required clearance of the vessels to limit the turbidity in the habitat of the mussels. By roll call vote, the committee is in favor of this project as proposed.

4. Hall, Laurie J. Trustee, TMT Realty Trust, 979 Sea View Avenue, Osterville, MA 02655, Map 090/Parcel 008. Applicant proposes to construct a new pier, ramp, and float docking facility. (Revised plans of 11/2/2021)
Attorney Sarah Flores and engineer Charles Agro presented to the committee the projects revisions. The pier as presented would be 150' total length with a 25' Boston Whaler to be the vessel for consideration.

The committee members discussed at length their concerns for the location of this project and it being a hazard to navigation. It was emphasized that it is a natural choke point of vessel traffic in and out of West Bay due to the volume of vessels, the winds and the currents as they interact with the Seapuit River. Peter Cross referred to the location as a funnel. The sheer volume of vessel traffic makes this application an unfavorable location for the proposed pier, ramp and float docking facility. Chairman Paul Everson asked the Harbormaster Brian Taylor for his opinion of this project. Taylor stated he is not in favor of the proposed project and felt the images presented by Mr. Argo spoke volumes. They were taken at high tide. During low tide the area looks much different. Taylor also stated he makes a presence in that location to enforce the no wake zone. Chairman Everson asked for each member's vote by roll call and all members voted against the proposed project.

5. 265 Seapuit River LLC, 265 Seapuit River Road, Osterville, MA 02655, Map 051 /Parcel 004 001. The applicant proposes to perform maintenance dredging and beach nourishment on sight.

Chuck Roland of Sullivan Engineering is representing this project. By roll call vote, the committee is in favor of this project as proposed.

6. Glen Lane Nominee Trust, c/o Atlantic Management, Griffin, Corey A Trustee, 49 Main Street, Osterville, MA 02655, Map185/Parcel 20. The applicant proposes to modify the existing pier.

The committee has concerns with the increase size of the pier and the close proximity to the channel. The vessel being proposed would increase the length of the pier an additional 10'. The Committee voted to table this until an engineer is present to speak to their concerns for its close proximity to the channel.

IV. Mooring Appeals: None

V. Old Business:

1. Potential Lotteries: Mooring & Marina Wait Lists

We are moving forward with the lottery to add names to all the closed waiting lists in the spring of 2022 with a date yet to be determined. Todd Walantis asked about the potential to discuss the wait lists in a workshop meeting. Next month Taylor stated he will propose some dates for the winter to hold such a workshop. Next Waterways Committee meeting is currently scheduled for December 28, 2021. Prior to the Christmas holiday

VI. New Business:

1. 1. Hearing for aquaculture license transfer of Nicholas Laurie, 158 Lakeside Drive, Marstons Mills, MA 02648 to Ronald Mansbach, 285 Old Homestead Drive, Marstons Mills, MA 02648. Public hearing was held via Zoom by the Town Manager on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 12:00 pm.

VII. Correspondence: None

VIII. Harbormaster Report:

Harbormaster Taylor reported that Deputy Harbormaster/Mooring Officer Jay Horn permitted 2453 mooring permits in 2021. Four hundred and sixty (460) people were offered moorings from the wait list and one hundred and ninety one (191) new moorings were accepted from those offers. The online system made the renewal process much more efficient and allowed Horn to start offering moorings much earlier than before. As in past years, 95-100% of the moorings have been marked by GIS (Geographic information system). This allows for better utilization of the mooring fields. Taylor also offered three (3) new slip contracts from the slip waiting lists; two (2) at Bismore Park Marina and one (1) at the Marina at Prince Cove. We are stepping into budget season and preparing the Harbormaster's Office for renewal season. Chairman Everson asked how the Town Marinas and Ways to Water fared from all the fall storms. Taylor stated with the last storm, Blish Point Boat Ramp was hit the hardest with the sand the storm deposited.

IX. Matters not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair:

X. Adjournment:

There being no further business, Walantis made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Cross; unanimously voted by roll call to approve the motion to adjourn at 8:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam Swider-Cohen, Principal Department Assistant