



Town of Barnstable

Waterways Committee

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Waterways Committee Meeting Minutes August 27, 2024

A meeting of the Town of Barnstable Waterways Committee was held via Zoom as approved by the Town Manager with the Committee's approval.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 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 Town of Barnstable's Government Access Channel 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: Paul Everson, Chairman; Gary Shramek; Todd Walantis

Board Members absent: Greg Egan; (Currently one vacancy)

Town Staff present: Harbormaster (HM) Brian Taylor, Jay Horn, Deputy Harbormaster (DHM); Pam Swider-Cohen, MEA Principal Department Assistant

Town Council Liaison Absent: Paul Neary

Public present: Benjamin Foley, Foth, Scott, Steven Stickells, (Dianah) Scott Cordeiro, Tamara, Robert Lawton, Tim Delong, Mary Moquin

II. Meeting Minutes:

1. June 25, 2024 Waterways Committee Meeting Minutes **A motion was made by Gary Shramek and seconded Todd Walantis by to approve the June 24, 2024, meeting minutes as written: all in favor of accepting minutes as written.**

III. Notices of Intent (NOI):

1. Town of Barnstable, Griffin Beaudoin, 180 Ocean Street, Hyannis, MA 02601, Map 326/Parcel 068. The Town is proposing to repair the of the existing 680 linear-foot steel bulkhead located on Hyannis Harbor in Barnstable, MA. The proposed repairs include the installation of steel plates to repair areas of severe section loss, the recoating of steel sheeting to 6 inches below the MLW line, and the installation of anodes to extend the service life and slow the corrosion rate of the existing Bismore Park bulkhead. The plan is based on the inspections both by Foth (2018) and Collins Engineers, Inc. in 2023 which indicates an additional 20 years of useful life to the Bulkhead with the recommended repairs. **Benjamin Foley of Foth is present to represent the project and inform the Waterways Committee of the plans as it has been approved before the Conservation Commission. Inspections were done in**

2018, 2022 and again in 2023. Areas of severe section loss were found via ultrasonic thickness (UT) readings. The plan is to reinforce the areas of the Town Bulkhead at Bismore Park Marina showing greater than 0.125 inch of thickness loss via the UT readings. The contractor will work from both land and waterside of the bulkhead. A small work boat and underwater divers will both remove and then reapply an epoxy coating, and the 6" X 6" X 36" anodes will be welded to the existing steel per the design. The anodes were designed by a corrosion engineer with an expected life of 20 years. Start date is in November with an estimated 6-week time frame. But with re-coating and steel plating repairs would extend the life of the bulkhead for an additional twenty years. Harbormaster Taylor stated that the work will be done in phases to limit the impact on the commercial fishing fleet.

2. Anthony F Pelletier 1994 Trust, Pelletier, Anthony, 18 Nelberth Terrance, Hyannis, MA 02601, Map 325/091. The applicant proposes to reconstruct a licensed jetty, revetment, boat ramp platform on the revetment with native plantings to replace dilapidated concrete areas that extend 100 Feet from the mapped Mean High-Water Line. The existing licensed structures will be reconstructed in the same footprint. A new NOI and Ch91 License is being requested. The elevation of the groin will be raised up 3 feet. The concrete walkway down the groin will be replaced with a new wood walkway and platform to service the floats via the existing ramp. The revetment needs to be reworked. The size of the platform is being reduced and the piles will be replaced that hold up the platform. The equipment for the project will be a small barge with a crane and impact or vibratory hammer that will be utilized to drive the piles or do all the rock work. The project may be rebuilt from land with a larger excavator that will access the property from the North side of the house. The barge will be used at high tide so as not to ground out at low tide. **DHM Horn stated that this has been approved by the Conservation Commission already and he does not see any navigational issues. It is a rocky and shallow area and will remain within the same footprint. All members are in favor of this plan.**

IV. Mooring Appeals:

1. Stickells, Peter WEQ/64 and WEQ/92, missed the deadline permitted since 2009 and had not missed previously to this year. His brother, Stephen Stickells represented him in this appeal. He stated that his brother had attempted to renew his moorings but struggled with the process. Chairman Everson stated as this is the first time having missed the renewal of the mooring permit and with the support of the other committee members will agree to the reinstatement of Peter Stickells two mooring permits in Wequaquet Lake.

V. Old Business:

1. Mooring regulations **DHM Horn stated that we do not have an update as we are waiting to hear back from the Town Manager.**
2. Marina fees – continue the conversation and follow up to the Workshop Proposed Marina Fees **HM Taylor presented a follow up presentation to address comments made at the August 13, 2024 in person Marina Fees Workshop. Both Power Point Presentations may be viewed on the Waterways Committee website under Resources. “Maina Enterprise Fund Fee Proposal Follow-up from August 13, 2024” (Exhibit #: PP #2). Chairman Everson discussed some of the parities at the marinas. As some locations only accommodate a 13 ft vessel should Prince Cove have a small craft section like the one at Barnstable Harbor? He also suggested fixing the parities of pricing for the same sized vessel in the same marina just different sides. Like slip charges to be similar. He also understands the desire to get grants, but those are not a guarantee. Todd Walantis believes different fees for different locations. Asks can you put linear feet on a slip and charge those numbers? Across the board since 2020, prices have gone up everywhere and the percentage is massive. He believes small craft should pay more as well. They are on the water. Gary Shramek appreciated the large amount of work put into his presentation. He is very familiar with Barnstable Harbor and is available to investigate the areas of parity of pricing. HM Taylor summarized the consensus of the Waterways Committee is in support of varied fees by access and by marina.**
Opened for Public Comment: Mr. Robinson wanted to express his appreciation for the work and professionalism of which it was presented. Scott Cordero had no idea of the complexity that goes into it all and appreciates the information. Robert Lawton appreciates that the fees need to be different around the marinas. Others present of the public did not make comments. Public Comment was closed.

VI. NEW BUSINESS: None

VII. CORRESPONDENCE: None

VIII. Harbormaster Report: DHM Horn reported we had an excellent staff this year. We recruited three Mass Maritime students. They worked as Assistant Harbormasters this summer. They worked hard on the water as well as maintaining the vessels and equipment. Fireworks, Saturday, August 31st about 8:30 PM. We will have full coverage on the water. This summer we used Dockwa for our Transient Mooring/Slip program with excellent results. He stated we may approach the Committee for additional transient moorings to allow more access to people on the water. We have surpassed 2600 mooring permits so far this year. It is a record for the Town. In 2023 we permitted 2526 mooring permits. We have completed our GIS of all the mooring permits. This allows me to evaluate the fields to see where another mooring may fit to keep moving people off the Wait Lists.

IX. Matters not reasonably Anticipated by the Chair: None

X. Adjournment: There being no further business, motion to adjourn by Todd Walantis and seconded by Gary Shramek, the meeting adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Pam Swider-Cohen, MEA Principal Department Assistant