

Minutes of Harbor Development Committee Meeting

February 13, 2019

7:00PM at Town Hall

(Note: Bathing Beach Trustees joined this meeting)

Attendees: W. Reardon, D. Anderson, T. Coveney, K. Doran, E. Kachel

Trustees of the Bathing Beach: Chris Daly, Alan Perrault

Harbormaster: Ken Corson

1. Call to order at 7:15pm South Central Meeting Room, 2nd Floor
2. Minutes from December 12, 2018 meeting approved
3. Open Issues (Recurring matters):
 - a. Town wharves engineering design/permitting update — Reardon

Design is 85% complete; currently, permitting is the primary focus.

Costs are on target, however questions have been raised regarding the potential to bring Steamboat Wharf into the process, as per Selectman, P. Healy.

W. Reardon is reaching out to Hingham Maritime's new Executive Director regarding the potential for a parallel process for Barnes Wharf permitting.
 - b. CPC \$60K grant request for update of 2007 Harbor Master Plan — Reardon

Funds denied; for 2020 consideration, application timing is estimated to be on/around August, 2019.
 - c. Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program—Reardon

The second of two meetings was completed in January; flooding is a key priority. Next step is for Beals + Thomas to prepare a town report and Hingham will then be MVPP certified.
 - d. Greenbush Trust Grant: Harbor interpretive signage — Reardon for MacAloney

graphic designer and sign maker have been engaged; the next working group meeting will be held on February 26; current priorities include identifying what milestones to illustrate and where the signs will be located.

An additional meeting is targeted for March (and may include additional members of the HDC).

Greenbush funding proposal filing date is anticipated for on/around May 3rd, based on 2018's calendar.

e. Bathing Beach Trustees update — Perrault/Daly

Bath house/snack shack construction underway; factory construction of box units pushed out a few weeks - projected completion of building delivery is late March/early April; once delivered, the kitchen buildout will commence.

Opening date targeted for early July.

Next steps include working with the Recreation Committee to determine programming and events; securing funding for a walkway; and determining a new location for Farmers' Market.

CPC \$120K grant request was approved.

d. Harbormaster matters — Corson

--Three harbor dredging warrant articles related Annual Town Meeting; results will clarify how dredging will be funded; the town will fund what is not received through state supplemental funding:

<Creation of Waterways Improvement and Maintenance Fund

<Transfer of 2019 harbor related revenues (i.e., mooring revenue, parking fees, 50% of boater excise tax, etc.) to Waterways fund

<Appropriation and bond approval for 2019/2020 harbor dredging

--Other harbor matters: boaters have been receptive to the upgraded mooring interface program; HDC and BBT are encouraged to visit the new offices.

e. HDC portion of Town Report reviewed and approved

5. Other matters

3A Task Force: next meeting will be held on February 27; targeting new designs to file with the state for TIPP funding application

Battle of Grape Island Celebration: May 19, 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Taste of Hingham: May 18, moved to North Street

Michael Kranzley, from the Hingham Development Industrial Committee, will be invited to join a future HDC meeting.

6. Questions from the Public

None.

7. Set next meeting date: March 12, 2019 at 7:00pm, Town Hall
8. Adjournment at 8:49pm.