Minutes of Beach Advisory Committee

Remote meeting of July 9, 2021

Attending: Eliza Harned, chair; Thomas Bow, Ann Courtney, Shari Stahl and Damon Clements, Beach and Recreation Director. Meeting called to order at 11am.

- 1. Beach Director's Report. Observations of jet skis which enter through the State boat ramp contradict Town of Truro regulations prohibiting personal watercraft. Damion will look into a disclosure statement to be distributed at the Pamet Harbor. Police can be notified if jet skis come onto Truro public beaches. Tom commended Damion for a job well done.
- 2. Discussion regarding erosion at Great Hollow Beach and how to promote kayak racks at more town beaches.
- 3. Discussion of Committee Charge as revised by Select Board:

The Committee agreed to specify site visits to all town beaches as part of our charge.

In comparing the 1993 original charge to the revised proposed charge, the Committee agreed more specific descriptions of some duties would be beneficial.

Stressing direct liaison with the Town Conservation Agent regarding shorebird management is important because this no longer is the jurisdiction of the Beach and Recreation Department.

Acknowledging the need for the Beach Committee to work collaboratively not only with the Beach & Recreation Director, but also the Department of Public Works, the Conservation Commission and the Conservation Agent needs to be specifically detailed in the Beach Advisory Committee Charge.

Shari and Eliza will write up the above recommendations and Eliza will submit to the Select Board. Ann will attend and represent the Beach Advisory Committee at 3:30 at the July 13th Select Board meeting.

- 4. Next meeting: September 10th at 3:30 to be a hybrid remote/ in-person meeting. Objective will be to develop criteria for Beach site visits. A meeting later in the fall will focus on identifying goals and priorities to recommend to the town for the Annual Report published in January. Damion's statistics on beach operations will be deferred until the second fall meeting.
- Vacancy on Beach Advisory Committee. Fran Johnson did not reapply to renew his
 appointment. Ann has two individuals in mind who would be good candidates and will reach
 out to recruit them before the September meeting.
- 6. Shari volunteered to serve as Committee Secretary.
- 7. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.

