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Minutes of the Pamet Harbor Commission Meeting

Thursday, March 17th 2022, 3:00 – 4:00 PM ET
24 Town Hall Road, Select Board Chambers, Truro MA 02666

Attending Members:

Tim Silva, Chairman
David Crocker
John Donahue
Gerry Woodcome

Participating Guests:

Tony Jackett, Harbormaster
Susan Areson, Truro Select Board Member

Order of Business:

1. Bringing the Meeting to Order

Chairman Silva called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM and declared that a quorum of members was present. The attached agenda was reviewed, and the meeting was fully underway.

2. Minutes review and approval

The Chairman reviewed the minutes from the February 19th, 2022, meeting and we discussed the newly proposed fee schedule increases. It was determined that a quorum of members who attended the February meeting was not present; the Chairman then advised that we'll defer the formal approval to the April meeting.

We studied the minutes of the January 13th meeting. A quorum of attending members was present, Dave Crocker made a **Motion** to approve the minutes, it was seconded by Member Donahue, unanimously approved by the Commission Members and **Granted**.

3. Rules and Regulations review and discussion

We evaluated and discussed the current published Rules and Regulations. Edits were suggested that included clarifying the requirement for vessels to maintain active Massachusetts registration and to display a current Pamet Harbor mooring sticker.

Member Crocker proposed that we consider establishing maximum length and beam limits for dinghies. We agreed to survey the universe of dinghies this Season and revisit this discussion at a future meeting.

4. Update on North Jetty extension

Chairman Silva relayed that he discussed this initiative, to extend the North Jetty northeasterly into the southernmost Corn Hill Beach dune to mitigated breach risk (approved and granted at our 08/19/2021 meeting), with Kelly Clark. An engineering firm was consulted and the possibility of using biodegradable resins as a barrier was raised. He highlighted the next steps which included evaluating permitting requirement and assessing the availability of State and Federal funding.

5. Massachusetts Dredging Program (MDP) 2022 Grant application

Select Board Member Areson reported that Kelly Clark was currently working on completing Truro's 2022 application. Member Donahue relayed that he attended the public MDP March 8th webinar and summarized several of the key takeaways:

- The new MDP online portal is the new required platform for submission by April 15th,
- Up to \$2.5 million in funding is available to each of MA's 78 coastal zone communities,
- The four major evaluation criteria are:
 1. Expanding Commercial Fishing and Boating
 2. Developing greater opportunities for Recreational Boating
 3. Enhancing navigability and public safety
 4. Bolstering environmental resilience

The Commission discussed Pamet Harbor's uniquely strong position in matching these criteria. Susan Areson and Tim Silva asked Donahue to connect with Kelly to provide and coordinate any needed Commission help and support to ensure success.

6. Open discussion and Adjournment

It was noted that newly approved Commission minutes are not yet posted on the Town of Truro website; the last actual set of minutes was posted on December 19, 2019. It was suggested that we follow up with the Town Clerk to diagnose and remedy the matter.

After concluding open discussion, the Chairman made a **Motion** to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 PM, it was seconded, unanimously approved by the Commission Members and **Granted**.

T. Silva
Chair

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