

Harbor Committee Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:10pm with the following members present: Dan Morris, Peter Henderson, Bill Mroz and Ben Norton. Also present were Select Board representative Randy Elwell, Town Manager Tim Polky, Harbor Master Dave Schmanska, Finance Director Elizabeth Curtis and consultant Noel Musson.

Noel Musson asked for the meeting to go over some particulars, namely the upcoming work and time frame:

- 1) Scheduling some additional test borings sometime in June;
- 2) Submit DEP permit package by the end of August;
- 3) Planning Board submissions in August or October;
- 4) Development of contract documents in October to January;
- 5) Bid packages go out in mid-January, returned by mid-February, with contract awarded by March;
- 6) Construction to begin in April 2019.

Musson said this is a very aggressive schedule, but it is the target they are shooting for. There was discussion about the pros and cons of the schedule. Musson said construction could take place later but would not be sooner. The issues of construction during the summer were also discussed. Musson said that the contract could state that construction needs to start after Labor Day, or it could say start in April, stop in July and return in September. He also said that if a contractor starts, leaves, and returns, that it could add to the overall price due to mobilization.

Polky was asked about the Planning Board process. He said it will take about 6-8 weeks, that will include meetings and on-site hearings, but that time frame is the best case.

Musson asked what the Committee's thoughts were regarding bathrooms, lighting, electricity at the docks, and water.

Morris asked Polky if those in opposition to the project could stop it during the Planning Board process. Polky said it could slow it down, but not stop it because everything be asked for is allowed under the ordinances. There was discussion on addressing at this time some of the issues raised at the public hearings.

Discussion then centered around toilets. Someone felt porta-potties could address it, another said toilets were available at Port Clyde General, but Polky said adding toilets could satisfy some of the opposition. It was generally felt that the need was seasonal, and that the Town currently addresses seasonal need with porta-potties in a nice setting.

Lighting was the next issue. It was felt that minimal was appropriate with safety being a concern to be addressed. Musson said minimal can be done, with provisions to change it in the future based upon needs. Committee members said there may be more lighting needed near commercial activity. The Committee then pulled out the plan and identified where they wished to have lighting, and the type of lighting to be used.

The next issue was floats. After some discussion on the arrangement of floats and the impact due to winds, and the separation of floats for commercial versus recreational, it was felt that it would be

best to go with a plan for the permit process, and maybe add floats later, possibly through a SHIP grant. It was generally agreed to come up with a float plan soon at another meeting.

The plan was then reviewed and marked up for where electricity would be located on the site. Discussion then returned to the issue of lighting.

The next issue was water. Schmanska said a salt water system exists there now. It was mentioned that fresh water access was in the manhole by the gate.

Musson asked about fuel, and the unanimous reaction was “no”.

Musson then asked about trash. It was generally agreed to have one dumpster in a nicely landscaped area.

In response to a question about buildings, it was generally agreed that there would be no buildings on the site. There was some further discussion on what buildings might be allowed and the fact that the building had to be water-dependent.

In wrapping up the meeting, Musson said he had what he needed, except for detail on the floats.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John M Falla
Acting Secretary