Minutes of the Truro Pamet Harbor Commission Meeting

Thursday, September 19th, 2024, 3:00 PM ET 24 Town Hall Road, Select Board Chambers, Truro MA 0266



Attending Members:

Tim Silva, Ćhairman Dave Crucker John Donahue Scott Donnelly

Participating Guests:

Tony Jackett, Harbormaster & Shellfish Warden Gary Sharpless, Assistant Harbormaster

Robert Weinstein (Bob), Vice-Chair Truro Select Board

Order of Business:

1. Bringing the Meeting to Order

Chairman Silva called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM, declaring that a quorum of full-time Members was present.

2. Review of Harbor Activities

Tony and Gary presented a summary of 2024 Harbor activity and YTD 2024 Revenues, showing a \$12.7% increase versus 2023. Updated Basin/Tidal Mooring and Kayak wait lists were also shared along with the freshest 2024 Hurricane Preparedness Plan. A complete set of the presented material is attached in **EXHIBIT 1**.

Tony conveyed that he's working with the Truro Police Chief to ensure the waterfront and parking lot video surveillance and safety system is in good working order.

Dave requested that the updated "wait lists" should be posted on the Town website when finalized.

Scott volunteered to conduct a Harbor esthetics and signage "walk through" with Tony and to report back on any findings.

The Commission enthusiastically congratulated and thanked Tony, and his team, for their hard work in presiding over a safe, operationally excellent and enjoyable Pamet Harbor boating and fishing season.

2. Dredging Update

Tony reported that the Barnstable County Dredging calendar has not been released yet and that he'll convey our calendared dredging slot when available. John reminded the group that the Barnstable County Dredging Advisory Committee has recommended a FY26 rate increase from the current \$12 per removed cubic yard to \$28 per cubic yard - a 133% increase.

Members commented that this season's navigability challenges were predominantly shoaling in the outer channel (btw the outermost section of the jetties) and up to 1/8th mile into the approach.

3. Skiff Regulations Discussion

Members extensively vetted the season's skiff management issues. The Chairman asked Tony and Gary to create recommendations on the <u>allowable #</u> of skiffs, <u>dimensions</u> (length and width), <u>line length/specification</u> and 2025 season <u>rates</u>. This topic will be revisited during the October Con, mission meeting.

4. Report on Available Grants

John was asked to provide an update on available grant funding that Truro would be eligible for. He relayed that Truro is highly eligible for and should aggressively pursue monies from two principal annual sources:

1 The Massachusetts Dredging Program:

- awards several million dollars per year to MA's 78 seaport communities who apply to have their saltwater dredging needs funded,
- In FY24 >\$5 million was provided to 8 Cape towns,
- In FY25 \$1 million was appropriated to 4 Cape towns
- Truro has only applied once (FY22), received the requested \$25k and used this funding to partially offset Truro's 2023 dredging costs.

2. The Seaport Economic Council Grant Program:

- awards funding to MA harbor communities to improve access, create economic growth, engage in environmental and erosion protection studies and to build resilience to climate change,
- this program awarded Cape towns \$11 million in FY23 and \$8 million if FY24,
- Truro has never sought funding from this source.

John informed the Commission that he met with the Town Manager in July. He personally briefed him on the availability and magnitude of state funding to support Pamet Harbor needs and to reduce the burden on Truro taxpayers.

Bob asked John to email him with further details on these programs and weblinks to the application portals (done 9/19/2024). He requested that we add this topic to the October agenda and invite the Town Manager to attend the meeting.



5. Review and Approval of June Meeting Minutes

The Commission carefully reviewed and discussed the 06/20/2024 meeting minutes. After thoroughly assessing, Dave proposed a **Motion** to approve them, it was seconded by John, unanimously approved by the eligible attending Commission Members and **Granted**.

6. Adjournment

At 4:50 PM, after determining that all Commission business had been carried out, Chairman Silva proposed a **Motion** to adjourn the proceedings; it was seconded by John and unanimously approved by the Members present and **Granted**.

1.5M PHC Chair



Tidal Mooring Wait List 2024

umhar	Name	Paid	Number	Name	Paid
umber 1	Donna Kull	x	31	Jan Worthington	X
2	Bart Hoey	x	32	Sharon Santangelo	Х
	John McGann	х	33	Paul Bresmer	#########
3	Chris CzekaJ	x	34	Joseph Powden	3/18/2024
4		X	35	Alex Gregory	3/18/2024
5	Stan Bratskeir	x	36	Christy Milliken	5/24/2024
6	Mike Fee	x	37	Gerald Fitzpatrick	6/5/2024
7	William Hildreth	X	38	Dana Robbat	6/16/2024
8	Tim Richards	_	39	David Daglio	6/20/2024
9	Lori and Michael Klawitter	X	40	Steve Corcoran	6/29/2024
10	Jason Moriarty	X	41	Robert Cassano	7/1/2024
11	Richard Dimino	X	42	Martin Hall	7/3/2024
12	Marko Stamenovic	X	43	Clay Abrams	7/6/2024
13	John Sugrue	X	43	Matt Chafee	7/8/202
14	Sandra Wheeler	X	45	Sarah Hamlett	7/27/202
15	Michael Grossman	X	45	Samuel Lessin	8/15/202
16	Jacqueline Bernat	X	47	Robert McMillan	8/20/202
17	Andrew Colameta	X		Andrew Hnis	8/24/202
18	Michael Walsh	X	48	Eva Hnis	8/24/202
19	Mo Haghighi	X	49	Derek Macara	8/29/202
20	Ben Zimmerli	Х	50	Charles Lazor	9/2/202
21	Phoebe Judge	X	51		9/4/202
22	Ron Stern	X	52	David Flannigan	9/4/202
23	Todd Misiura	X	53	Thomas Kelly	37 (120
24	Bob Ryan	X	54		
25	Tony Camilo	Х	55		
26	Doug & Ted Straus	х	56		
27	Eric Oehling	х	57		
28	Frederico Largo	Х	58		
29	Seamus Gilson	x	59		
30	Charles Cornell	Х	60		

Updated 9-10-24

