

Meeting Date:

June 5, 2023

**Wellfleet Dredging Task Force (DTF) Committee
Minutes of Meeting**

June 5, 2023 – 7:00 pm

Meeting held via Zoom conference call

DTF Present: Co-chair Joe Aberdale, Co-Chair Chris Allgeier, Charles Annett.

Others Present (DTF Committee Participants):

Others: Gail Ferguson, Jude Ahern.

1. Announcements, Open Session, and Public Comments - None
2. Administrative.
 - 2.1. Roll call was taken to confirm attendees.
 - 2.2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting, from the May 19, 2023, meeting.
 - 2.2.1.1. A motion to accept the Minutes was made by Charles and seconded by Joe.
 - 2.2.1.2. The motion was approved by a vote of 3-0.
3. Update on permit activity and the Mitigation Plan.
 - 3.1. On May 31 (sic) (correction: May 30) the Selectboard passed a motion “in support of the Mitigation Plan, as amended and subject to clarification of penalties for noncompliance with the plan and subject to review by town counsel, and subject to the permit issuing prior to June 30, 2023”. Roll call vote passed 4-0.
 - 3.2. Updates to the mitigation plan documents – the documents are nearing final completion. There were a few comments/suggestions from members of the Selectboard so the proposed changes were submitted to USACE, including adding language that the selection of 3rd party monitoring entity would be “mutually agreed to”.
 - 3.3. Jude Ahern inquired whether the recent discussion on the mitigation plan at the Selectboard meeting was a public hearing and if so questioned if proper notice had been given; who requested the update - was it the DTF or the Selectboard, was a public hearing even required? Chris advised there have been several previous presentations before the 31st (sic). Jude would like to know what general law required that we even have a public hearing. Chris noted that he would defer to the Selectboard and stated that he would follow up with the Selectboard and/or Town Administration.
4. 2023 Dredging Plans.
 - 4.1. Bids were received on May 25, 2023, at a public opening at Town Hall. Two of the bids were very competitive at \$3.5 million and \$3.6 million, respectively for the base scope of 100,000 cubic yards with unit rates for additional cubic yards.

5. Future Plans to reduce sedimentation rate and future maintenance dredging.
 - 5.1. This item remains on the back burner for the next several months. We'll then seek opportunities to do maintenance dredging and alternate methods of disposal such as Thin Layer Deposition. This will be a lengthier process.
6. Sand/shoaling area at the breakwater- Engineering drawings and permit applications.
 - 6.1. No additional update: At the last meeting, Will Sullivan advised that BSC Group has completed the land survey and marine survey; we are currently awaiting the mapping to be sent to us.
7. Next Meeting – it was agreed the next DTF meeting will be held on Monday June 12, 2023, at 7:00 pm.
8. Motion to Adjourn – a motion to adjourn was made by Charles and seconded by Joe. The motion to adjourn was approved, 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:12 pm.