



# Town of Barnstable

## Waterways Committee

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### Waterways Committee Meeting Minutes November 28, 2023

A meeting of the Town of Barnstable Waterways Committee was held via Zoom as approved by the Town Manager with the Committee's approval.

#### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Chairman Paul Everson. Quorum has been confirmed and Everson read the following notice at the beginning of the meeting:

NOTICE OF RECORDING "Please note that tonight's meeting is recorded and broadcast on Town of Barnstable's Government Access Channel and, in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, s. 20, I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known."

#### Roll Call:

Board Members present: Paul Everson, Chairman; Peter Cross; Greg Egan; Gary Shramek; Todd Walantis

Board Members absent: None

Town Staff present: Brian Taylor, Harbormaster; Jay Horn (DHM), Deputy

Harbormaster/Mooring Officer; Pam Swider-Cohen, Principal Department Assistant; Amy Croteau (NRO/SFC), Natural Resource Officer/ Shellfish Constable

Town Counsel Liaison Present: Paul Neary

Public: Christopher Gargiulo

#### II. Meeting Minutes:

1. October 24, 2023, Waterways Committee Meeting Minutes **A motion was made by Peter Cross and seconded by Greg Egan to approve the October 24, 2023, meeting minutes as written; all in favor to accept minutes as written.**
2. November 15, 2023, Waterways Committee Workshop Notes **A motion was made by Greg Egan and seconded by Todd Walantis to approve the November 15, 2023, workshop notes as written; all in favor to accept minutes as written.**

#### III. Notices of Intent (NOI): None

#### IV. Mooring Appeals: None

#### V. Old Business:

1. Mooring regulations: **Deputy Harbormaster/Mooring Officer (DHM) Jay Horn stated that the updated mooring regulations have been sent to the Legal Department for review.**
2. Marina fees: **DHM Jay Horn stated that Harbormaster Taylor will schedule a Workshop to further discuss the Marina fees in the Spring of 2024 likely after the mooring renewal season.**

#### VI. NEW BUSINESS:

2. Barnstable Harbor Aquaculture Zone – Floating gear mooring **NRO/SFC Amy Croteau discussed a request on behalf of an aquaculturists in Barnstable Harbor for the Waterways**

**Committee's approval for use of one floating piece of gear per 2-acre site. The aquaculturists would need to obtain their own Army Corp of Engineers permit along with Town of Barnstable Mooring Permit. Specifications of the bottom anchor would also need to be determined by the Harbormaster along with what type of marker/buoy would be required. The committee discussed the request and asked questions of NRO Croteau. It would be specific locations and growers who could benefit from floating gear. A motion was made by Everson, seconded by Egan in support of one floating piece of gear per 2-acre site as an amendment of the current regulation. Proper markers for navigation shall be added to identify a permitted structure. All members voted in favor of the motion.**

3. Barnstable Department of Public Works – Floating treatments wetlands request mooring permit applications; Long Pond, Marstons Mills **No one was present to answer questions; continued to next meeting.**
4. Waterfront Property owners – Floating treatments wetlands request mooring permit applications; Long Pond, Marstons Mills **DH Horn stated that property owners are looking to moor floating treatment barley bags to assist with the water quality issues on Long Pond. He stated they are estimated to be the size of a bale of hay. They would float, making them visible and be on a bottom anchor. The individual property owners applying for a non-designated mooring permit would have them located off their property. Chairman Everson stated that Long Pond is a maximum 9.9 HP engine.**

**VII. CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Hearing for the renewal of aquaculture grant for Christopher Gargiulo, 309 Pine Ridge Road, Cotuit, MA 02635. A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 10:30 AM in the Selectman's Conference Room in the Town Hall. **Read into the record for public information by the Chairman Everson.**

**VIII. Harbormaster Report:**

**DH Horn stated that all the Town of Barnstable Aids to Navigation (ATONs) have been removed from the waters. It is imperative that you wear a life jacket while on the water and he asks all boaters to be cautious while navigating during this time of year. December 2<sup>nd</sup> will be the holiday boat parade. All vessels participating will begin in front of the Hyannis Yacht Club at 4pm.**

**IX. Matters not reasonably Anticipated by the Chair:**

**December 19, 2023 is the next Waterways Committee meeting at 7:00 PM via Zoom.**

**X. Adjournment:**

**There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Peter Cross and seconded by Greg Egan; unanimously voted by roll call to approve the motion to adjourn at 7:31 PM.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pam Swider-Cohen, MEA Principal Department Assistant