

Members present: Fred Huss, William Alwardt, Elizabeth Mansure and Dan Martino

Others Present: David Grunden and Nicole Morey

Meeting opened at 6:03 PM

Previous Minutes

Nicole Morey read the minutes from December 2015.

Motion: To approve December 15, 2015 minutes as read. By: Member Mansure. Second: Member Martino. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

Shellfish Constable Report

Constable Grunden read his February 2016 report. He advised that there is an eel grass meeting in Boston at the end of March and should anyone like to attend to let him know as it will held in a Federal building and there are protocols to follow.

He also said that the weather station at the landing can be accessed by computer or smart phone to let people know whether it is too cold for scalloping. It is www.sailflow.com

Motion: To approve February report. By: Member Mansure. Second: Member Martino. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

New Business

Lagoon Pond Permeable Reactive Barrier

Member Mansure said that she does want the area in front of her property should not be used as part of the project in Lagoon Pond. She stated that there is mature growth that she does not want removed.

Constable Grunden noted her objection and said that it might work at SCP or possibly at the Head of the Lagoon.

Member Martino asked about the cost per foot.

Member Alwardt asked who would maintain it.

Constable Grunden said that for 40 years by the Town and the estimates for 400 ft. would cost @ \$300,000.

Temporary drawbridge removal

Constable Grunden said that most of the fill will be removed.

Member Mansure feels that they did not lose a lot of the pond.

Members concerned about shoaling that occurred and the work was exempt from filing with the local Conservation Commission, so the Town may have to take them to court or try to get the State and Feds to go after them

Constable Grunden warned that it may take a long time.

Member Alwardt felt that the Town should pursue permits to remove sand from instead the Lagoon.

Old Business

First (Little) Bridge channel

Vice-chairman Huss said that he has posted on Facebook that people should contact the BoS about their concerns for the channel. He asked if there was money in the budget.

Constable Grunden said yes for FY16 and looking to get it done in May.

Members and Constable agreed that channel should be done at least once a year if not more.

Members Mansure and Alwardt feel that the money should be used for just the actual dredging and not for the moving of sand to other beach areas.

Constable Grunden said that they have been trying to get permits for years to be allowed to put sand on beaches below the low tide mark. He added that possibility of mining for sand off shore to replenish the beaches has been removed. The sediment transfer begins at East Chop and moves toward the Second (Big) Bridge in Edgartown.

Vice-chairman Huss said that he did not want to discuss any limit changes unless the full committee was present.

Member Martino asked when does the scallop season end?

The answer was March 31st.

The buoys will be replaced before next scallop season.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole L Morey
Shellfish Secretary