

COASTAL WATERS COMMITTEE
MINUTES, MEETING OF 5/22/2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Wentworth, Alex Todd, Justin Doughty, Aaron Rugh, Geoff Summa

PUBLIC PRESENT: Marjorie Stratton, Genaro Balzano, Herb Maine, Carol White

1. Call to Order 6:14
2. Approval of Minutes from 2/27/20. Motion by Justin Doughty, Alex Todd, 2nd. Unanimous.
3. Reports: Harbormaster: HM monitoring Chandlers Wharf for COVID purposes. HM boat needed new steering, resolved. Small Aluminum skiff in need of replacement, money in reserve to acquire new. HM researching options. HM reports Eelgrass issues with the Dredging Project, status unclear. To summarize, TOCI would need to “replace” all eelgrass disrupted at Stone Wharf via replacement of 120 moorings around the island identified as being in eelgrass. These moorings would consist of an approved bungee system.

Shellfish: Currently dealing with closures, activity quiet.
4. Old Business:
 1. Aquaculture: Revision process has slowed, CWC and BoS to revisit.
 2. Stewart Hunt: HM reports the gear was not moved as promised, several boaters tangled in gear. HM to investigate.
 3. Open discussion regarding desire to meet with Meredith Mendleson from Maine DMR. Agreed we need to re-schedule.
5. New Business:
 1. Summit Point: Submitted new Pre-app, CWC’s criteria would not allow. Need suggestions from DMR for moving forward to intervene. All in agreement that the lease is a navigational hazard for travel to Chebeague Island.
 2. Jeff Putnam: Review pre-app for lease. CWC in favor, no issues with lease.

3. COVID 19: Open discussion regarding docks and procedures. HM currently monitoring Stone wharf and Chandlers. CWC recommends that all NON-RESIDENT mooring applications in Chandler's be suspended. Chandlers resident moorings shall be issued on a case by case basis. Also discussion of a waiting list, how would this work?

Cousins Island: Weekend non-resident congestion becoming an major problem. CWC feels the float is not a marina, and that the float needs to be enforced.

MOTION: TOCI to investigate options for expansion at Cousins Island. Investigate the possibility of an additional float off the existing (off NE end) Motion made by Kevin Wentworth, Alex Todd, 2nd. Unanimous.

6. Motion to Adjourn at 7:26 by Kevin Wentworth, Justin Doughty 2nd. Unanimous.