



TOWN OF HARWICH
WATERWAYS COMMITTEE
Harwich Channel Studio
Community Center
100 Oak Street
Wednesday, 20th August, 2025, 6:00 PM
MINUTES

ATTENDANCE AND INTRODUCTIONS:

MEMBERS PARTICIPATING: Dan Hall, Chair, Roger Peterson, Vice Chair, Rich Shevory, Dan Casey and Kent Drushella

MEMBER NOT PARTICIPATING: Larry Brutti

ALSO PARTICIPATING: Stephanie Sykes, Director of Natural Resources and John Harker, Harbormaster

Mr. Hall opened the meeting of the Harwich Waterways Committee on Wednesday, August 20, 2025 at 6:00PM.

MINUTES: 18th June, 2025 Review & Approval

Mr. Casey moved to approve the Minutes of June 18, 2025. Seconded by Mr. Drushella.

Vote: 5:0 in favor. Motion carried

CONSENT AGENDA: None

OPEN FORUM:

Mr. Harker noted that he has been in contact with a Wi-Fi company named Blueport. He gave an update and explained work that has been done as well as what still needs to be done.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 10 Harwich Pines- proposed dock replacement

Mr. Harker distributed hard copies of the Chart that he had sent electronically but had not been received.

John O'Reilly, Engineer on the project was present. He explained the proposed project in detail. He noted that it meets all the Harwich requirements. The Conservation Commission has reviewed the dock and is waiting for the Waterways Committee's decision before taking formal action.

Mr. Harker reported that he had done a site review and noted that the plans meet all of the Harbormaster's criteria.

Mr. Drushella moved to accept the plan as presented from JM O'Reilly and Associates for Kyle and Patrick Lissack of 10 Harwich Pines Road, Harwich, MA, Plan #JMO9742 dated 07/13/2025. Seconded by Rich Shevory.

Vote: 5:0 in favor. Motion carried.

Members signed two copies of the Plan.

2. 31 Mill Road-proposed dock replacement

There were no representatives for the applicant present.

Mr. Harker distributed copies of the Plan, noting and describing the proposed changes in the design. He noted that he had requested documented dredging plans, activity, time of year and other construction details. He suggested postponing the discussion until next meeting when he will have more information and answers to his questions.

Mr. Hall moved to postpone this agenda item until the next meeting.

Mr. Drushella suggested postponing the motion and to continue in case the applicant arrives.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. 11 Nons Road- proposed dock reconstruction

Mr. Harker distributed hard copies of the proposed dock reconstruction.

A representative for the applicant was present. He explained that he had changed the plan because he had been before Conservation who felt the dock was too big. He had presented the Plan to Amy Usowski, Conservative Administrator who said that she would support the new plan.

Mr. Harker explained the changes and noted that it meets the water dependent structure qualifications. He asked questions about the construction.

The applicant explained that he hopes to begin construction in the first two weeks of December. He also noted the length of the vessel.

Mr. Shevory moved to accept the new Plan for 11 Non Road dated July 30, 2025. Second by Mr. Casey.

Vote: 5:0 in favor Motion carried.

Members signed two copies of the Plan.

2. 37 Nons Road- proposed new dock construction

Mr. Harker noted that this proposed new dock is also from Mark who has not yet arrived.

3. 4 Mill Point- proposed new dock construction

Mr. Harker noted that this was originally before the Waterways Committee in the winter of 2023 and he gave an update of the construction. He also noted that the only changes in the plan happen above the high mean water mark.

Ms. Sykes commented that there had been a shellfish survey. She is comfortable with the plan and will provide something in writing.

Mr. Harker noted that he was unsure if it had to come before Waterways again or not. He had no issues with the new plan.

Mr. Drushella moved to approve the changes to the Plan prepared by Tighe & Bond for Vincent Yacenovis at 4 Mill Point remittance set for August 2025. Seconded by Mr. Shevory.

Vote: 5:0 in favor. Motion carried.

Mr Hall suggested that they review the Financial Report and if no one appears, they can continue the two agenda items previously mentioned.

Mr. Harker noted that it has been a heavy boating year and the numbers will be above average. He gave updates on repairs, ramps, possible repairs and dredging projects.

Mr. Drushella moved to extend to the next scheduled meeting for both 37 Nons and 31 Mill Point. Seconded by Mr. Peterson.

Vote: 5:0 in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Harker noted that Bill Neiser is retiring and Committee members offered their congratulations.

CORRESPONDANCE:

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday September 17th, 2025

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Drushella moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Shevory.

Vote: 5:0 in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judi Moldstad
Board Secretary

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