

# Fairhaven Marine Resources Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes April 6, 2023

**Present:** Chair Michael McNamara, Vice-Chair Andrew Jones, Select Board member Keith Silvia, Mr. Robert Hobson, Mr. Dave Hebert, Ms. Michelle Potter, James Moroux and Harbormaster Timothy Cox.

Absent: N/A

The meeting was videotaped by Cable Access and Zoom meeting application.

Mr. McNamara opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

#### **Minutes**

*Motion:* Mr. Moroux motioned to approve the minutes of March 2, 2023. Mr. Jones seconded. Vote. (6-0-1) Mr. Silvia abstained.

#### Blue Stream Shellfish -Added solar upweller & FLUPSY request:

Dale Leavitt of Blue Stream gave a summary of the floating upwelling systems and proposed location for two new systems in Round Cove. This may require a separate lease area because of the new location. Mr. Leavitt will come back to the board with specific measurements and acreage so that the board can recommend to the Select Board its approval or not.

### Hoppy's Landing:

Mr. MaNamara reviewed a graph with the expenditures and revenue of Hoppy's Landing. Mr. Cox clarified a few large expenditures and explained float maintenance. Discussion ensued regarding the parking, fees and the possibility of a new system that would allow a ticket to be displayed on each vehicle that has paid. It was agreed that more information regarding the revolving account and fiscal year 2023's revenue would be needed to determine how to proceed going forward.

## Informational update -Public Ramp at West Island Marina:

Mr. Andrew Jones excused himself from the table. Sean Hurley, representative of JCR Realty, owner of the West Island Marina spoke to the board. He explained his interpretation of the agreement between the DEP and the previous Marina's owners and explained the conditions in the permit. He states that nowhere in any of the documentation it says it is open to the public for anything other than pedestrian use. Mr. Hurley stated that he spoke with the Waterways Chief at DEP and that they had gone over the agreement together and found no language that would indicate the ramp to be of public access. He was unable to receive this information in writing from the DEP.

#### **Harbormaster Updates:**

Mr Cox said the docks at Seaview Boat Ramp have been put in. He gave update about moving his storage to Hoppy's Landing. An order of shells will be brought to Hoppy's and graded by the BPW. Dredging should start early September, further updates will follow regarding adding areas.

**Shellfish Updates:** 

Season is ramping up with permits being sold and planting is on track for this year.

Any Other Business: None

Next meeting will be May 4, 2023 at 6:30 pm.

Motion: Mr. Jones motioned to adjourn. Mr. Hebert seconded. Vote was unanimous. (6-0-1)

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectively submitted, Sharon Mills Recording Secretary