



## Harbor Development Committee Minutes

February 17, 2021

Members: W. Reardon (Chair), M. Boer, P. Branagan, S. Darby, K. Doran, P. Gannon

Others: JR Frey (Town Engineer) and members of the public via ZOOM

1. Call to order: 7:40pm
2. Approval of meeting minutes of January 14, 2021
3. Open Issues (Recurring matters):
  - a. CPC Grant Request for 'Harbor Vision Study'—ADCOM/BOS Hearing: Bill Reardon provided summary of recent meeting. It is anticipated all CPC articles will be voted on by the Advisory Counsel and Selectmen on or around February 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - b. Route 3A Task Force update: According to Bill Reardon, the Selectmen voted in favor of the latest warrant article seeking \$200K in funding.
  - c. Harbormaster matters: no update.
  - d. Town Wharf Projects: Bill Reardon and JR Frey provided summary of February 16<sup>th</sup> presentation to Selectmen regarding the projects. There is a sense from JR Frey and Woods Hole Group, an oceanographic consulting firm, that a more expansive scope of modeling may be necessary to include a quantitative assessment of the project and alternatives. The Selectmen have taken the project under advisement. HDC will also present to the Advisory Committee and may conduct further joint meetings with the Conservation Committee to ensure all stakeholders are informed and engaged.
4. Other matters
  - a. MBTA Hingham Ferry Docks Improvement Project: the next public meeting will be held in the Fall of 2021.
  - b. MAPC Stakeholder Meeting #4 January 27, 2021 "Public Realm Discussion": Marco Boer provided a summary of the meeting which did not include a substantive discussion or detailed plan for landscaping or new programmatic offerings at the Harbor. (Hence the need for the proposed CPC grant funding for the updated Harbor Vision Plan). The MAPC has concluded that the square should be a destination and have proposed a



variety of publicity (i.e., logo, signage) and infrastructure improvement recommendations to draw visitors. Additional meetings are anticipated for March and April.

5. Next meeting date: March 10, 2021

6. Adjournment: 8:59pm