



# COASTAL WATERS COMMISSION

## MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, January 15, 2020 6:00 PM Council Chambers

Committee Members:  
David Witherill, Chairman  
Mike Schwindt, Vice Chairman  
David Carlson  
Hugh Judge  
Richard Thompson  
Ivy Frignoca  
Robert Johnson  
Peter Garsoe  
  
Town Staff:  
Tom Gruber  
George Turner  
Robert Vail  
Charles Rumsey  
Jean Duchesneau

**Present:** Chairman David Witherill, Mike Schwindt, David Carlson, Robert Johnson, Hugh Judge, and Richard Thompson  
**Absent:** Ivy Frignoca  
**Town Staff:** Charles Rumsey, Police Chief; Jean Duchesneau, Committee Secretary, Tom Gruber and George Turner, Town Councilmen, Matthew Merriman, Harbormaster and William Shane, Town Manager  
**Guests:** Barney Baker, Baker and Associates.

### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, David Witherill at 6:00 p.m. with a round table introduction. There were three members of the HOA present in the audience.

### II. Adopt the October 16, 2019 Minutes

Chairman Witherill inquired if there were any changes or additions to the Minutes. There were none.

**Motion:** To accept the Minutes of October 16, 2019.

**Moved by:** Mike Schwindt

**Seconded by:** Robert Johnson

**Vote:** All Approved – Unanimous

### III. Baker & Associates Presentation on BCR Float Expansion

Barney Baker gave a presentation to the committee and audience detailing the BCR float expansion. He presented three proposed site plans: Option A, Option B, and Option C and discussed the differences between the three and the impact each would have on the eel grass.

### IV. Old Business:

- a) Update on BCR float rescue ladders

Chief Rumsey stated that there is a plan to place two (2) **rescue** ladders installed on the float. The plan is to install one on the inside where the dinghies are tied up and the other will be on the outside (east side) of the floats.

### V. New Business

- a) Vote on Recommendation for New Float Configuration for Future Boating Seasons. (There would be no costs this year, just permitting and applying for the grants.)

**Motion:** To go with option A

**Made by:** Mike Schwindt

**Seconded by:** Richard Thompson

**Vote:** All Approved – Unanimous

- b) Vote on Enhancing BCR Channel Markers, Signage and Educational Materials. (Better channel marking-we will be adding 8 more channel markers, more signage needed regarding swimming and keeping within the channel, and child-proof the pier railing.)

**Motion:** To approve the BCR Channel Markers, Signage and Educational Materials  
**Made by:** David Carlson  
**Seconded by:** Hugh Judge  
**Vote:** All Approved – Unanimous

c) Vote to Approve Concept Plan for HOA Floats

**Motion:** To approve they prepare concept plan consistent with Option A  
**Made by:** Mike Schwindt  
**Seconded by:** Robert Johnson  
**Vote:** All Approved – Unanimous

**VI. Other New Business**

Chief Rumsey inquired about an educational eel grass handout to be given with kayak lottery applications; and after a brief discussion, it was agreed to go ahead and do so.

**VII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Submitted by,  
Jean Duchesneau, Recording Secretary