

The Harbor and Waterfront Advisory Committee Meeting

Virtual Meeting Minutes Thursday, January 19, 2021 7:00 pm

Attending: Jackson Schultz, Amy Powell, Steve Speranza, Whisky Wolinski, Ulf Westhoven, Robert Dobias, Ted Dooley and Scott McBurney and Alan Van Arsdale. Also: Jay Borkland

The meeting was called to order and the first order of business was to successfully approve the minutes from the December 10, 2020 meeting, the vote to approve was unanimous.

Whisky them updated the committee on the first meeting of the Hadley School Re-Use Advisory Committee. There was little to report.

HWAC then turned to Allen to lead the discussion of the brown algae found on the beaches of Nahant, Lynn and Swampscott and what impact would the "Living Reef" have on it. After lengthy discussion, it was decided that Jackson would set up a meeting with our Town Manager, Sean Fitzgerald, to discuss the idea the committee had, namely, to convene the Town Manager from Nahant, Swampscott, the Mayor of Lynn or their designees as well as designated members from HWAC, to meet to discuss how best to proceed in dealing with the brown algae. The idea is to come together as a unified front to present to DCR, who controls the beaches (except Swampscott), how the communities would like for DCR to proceed in controlling the brown algae.

The next agenda item was the two grant submissions to Seaport Advisory Committee. Their fate would be decided in early February and we are all hoping for a favorable report at our next meeting. It was then decided by the HWAC to have our meetings on the third Thursday of the month until racing season begins at which point it will probably switch to Wednesdays. With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.