

The Harbor and Waterfront Advisory Committee Meeting

Virtual Meeting Minutes Thursday, May 5, 2022 7:00 pm

Attending: Jackson Schultz, Alan Van Arsdale, Ted Dooley, Steve Speranza, Amy Powell, Ulf Westhoven, Whisky and Scott McBurney.

Also attending: John McAllister from McAllister Engineering and Jay Borkland

- 1) Committee reviewed and unanimously approve the 4/7/22 Minutes.
- 2) Jackson reported on another successful community outreach, HWAC's participation in "Earth Fest" on the town lawn, April 30.
- 3) HWAC is seeking an extension to the grant from SEC due to the need for eel grass mapping in the harbor. This mapping needs to take place towards the end of July, beginning of August when the grass is in full bloom. The extension is to 1/31/2023.
- 4) Jackson, Jay, John McAllister and Rich Baldwin from McAllister Engineering will be meeting with members of the Fishermen's Alliance Wednesday June 1. They will report on the meeting at the next HWAC meeting, 6/8.
- 5) Swampscott has begun a prototype recycling program for boat owners to recycle their plastic shrink wrapping materials. Drop off is at the DPW Yard and the program is at no cost for now.
- 6) McAllister Engineering has applied for a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF). Will report on that at the next meeting.
- 7) Jay discovered two startup companies that may be able to help us with the "Living Reef" project. They are ECOncrete Tech Ltd. and GROW Oyster Reef, LLC. There will be more to report at our next meeting.
- 8) Monthly meetings were moved to the second Wednesday of the month due to SYC's weekly sailboat racing on Thursdays.
- 9) There was no community input and the meeting adjourned.