

Select Board Milton Landing Committee

March 2, 2023

Members present: Richard Wells, Chair; Dick Burke; Tim Czerwienski; Roxanne Musto; Josh Eckart-Lee; Nicholas Milano; Bill Ritchie

Meeting called to order at 8:32. Tim Czerwienski provided an update that Tighe & Bond have not yet provided their report on dredging. Chair Wells provided an update that the Community Preservation Committee has awarded the committee \$220,000 for the first phase of funding for historic preservation efforts at the Lock Up building at 25 Wharf Street.

Natalie Burgo, the site's chief Remedial Project Manager (RPM), Matt Audet, EPA MA Superfund Chief, Kate Melanson from the EPA Government Affairs team, and Tristan Pluta, another RPM, were present to discuss the EPA's superfund work at the Lower Neponset. Natalie Burgo provided a brief background on the superfund work. They are in the early stages of the remedial investigation. Ms. Burgo advised that the cleanup is very early in its process, and so was not ready to comment on potential effects of the cleanup on downstream areas. However, from sampling, the EPA did find that the T&H Dam has kept a significant quantity of sediment in place. The EPA is putting a lot of effort into investigating potentially responsible parties to find liability from industrial owners, but the EPA is currently working on this as a fund-led process. Chair Wells provided a brief background on the Town's history considering dam removal and the importance of these sections of the river for local fish populations. Natalie asked what the expected volume of sediment is to be removed, which the Committee does not yet know but is expected to be in the forthcoming Tighe & Bond report. Chair Wells provided an update that it is likely that dredged materials are very likely to be trucked out rather than barged.

Josh made a motion to approve the minutes from February 2, seconded by Roxanne. All in favor. For the next meeting, there is a desire to get a design for the ramp and the Tighe & Bond report ready for discussion. Tim had been in contact with Andrew Nilsson from Childs regarding the previous engineering work at the boat ramp. Their current estimate is \$9,500 for design completion of the boat ramp. The starting date for the leases out of the RFP is expected to be approximately June 1.

Motion to adjourn made by Bill Ritchie, seconded by Dick Burke. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:31.

Respectfully Submitted,

Josh Eckart-Lee

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