June 28, 2019

Mr. James Malkin Mr. Warren Doty Mr. William Rossi 401 Middle Road Chilmark, MA 02535

Dear Selectmen Malkin, Doty, and Rossi,

Our names are Nick Karnovsky, Noah Lipnick, and Luke Lefeber, and we are the sailing instructors for the Community Center's sailing program this summer. We are working diligently to restore sailing access on Quitsa and Menemsha ponds to the community and inspire the next generation of children to pursue all that Chilmark has to offer.

Our iteration of the Center's sailing program is now entering its second year after a successful relaunch last summer. Thanks to support from the Town Affairs Council, Center leadership, and Harbormaster Rossi, the program will be even better than it was last summer.

We are writing to request permission to place a portable storage container with a lock at the town landing to safely and securely store lifejackets, safety equipment, boat parts (rudders, tillers, sails), and more. The container would eliminate the need for the three of us to personally store these items in our cars as we did last year. Such a container was placed at the town landing roughly ten years ago when Sail Martha's Vineyard ran the Center's sailing program. Harbormaster Rossi has informed us that he is not opposed to the idea.

To minimize the impact on the limited parking space at the town landing, we would locate the storage container at the westernmost corner of the parking lot as indicated on the following map by a red rectangle. The yellow line on the map indicates the farthest west a car can park due to the retaining wall along the boat ramp. As you can see, the storage container will not occupy a parking spot and will not be a hazard to drivers.

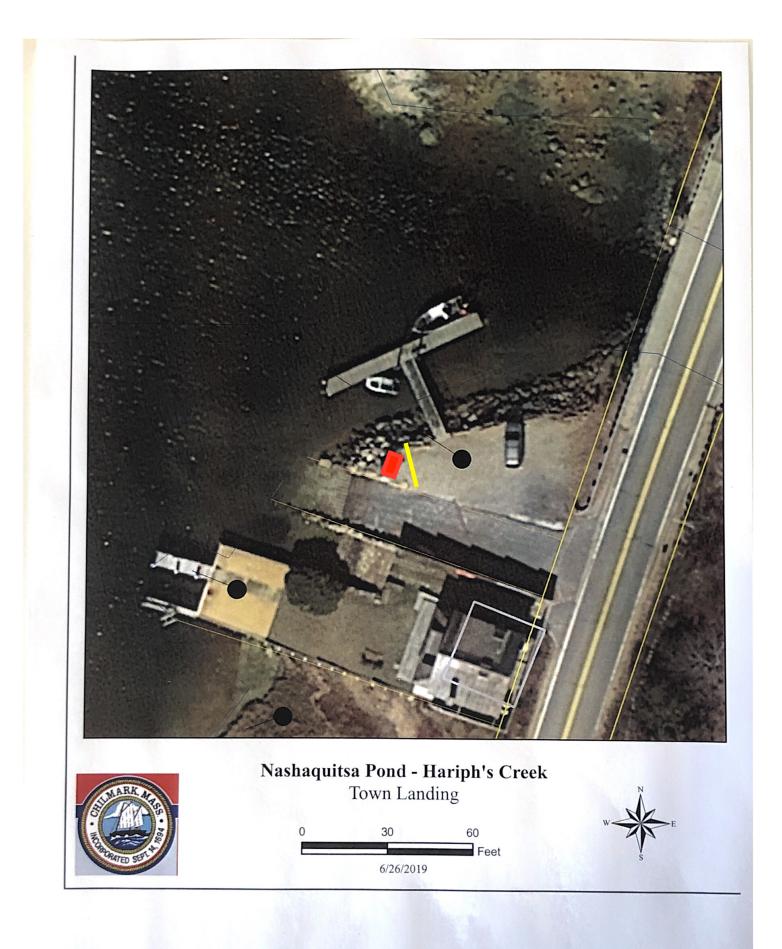
The box itself will be 25.7" L x 60" W x 27.5" H and made of polypropylene. We prefer to use a synthetic storage container over a wooden garden box because the synthetic containers will not rot (as past garden boxes have in the Center's experience) and are far more affordable. Please see the attached page for a picture of our desired box.

We are grateful for the support we have already received from the Town and believe that this request will enhance our ability to run a successful sailing program. We would be happy to consider alternatives to this plan if the Board would prefer.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Nick Karnovsky, Noah Lipnick, and Luke Lefeber





Rubbermaid Extra Large Deck Box, Roughneck