Duxbury Bay Management Commission

Meeting Minutes – Thursday, May 10, 2007

A meeting of the Duxbury Bay Management Commission was held at the Duxbury Senior Center at 7 pm.

Duxbury Bay Management Commission (DBMC):

In attendance: John Carnuccio (Chair), Ned Lawson, Shawn Dahlen, John Brawley, Kathy Gould, Jack Kent, Emmett Sheehan, Corey Wisneski (Secretary).

Missing: Don Gunster, Don Beers (ex officio).

Guest: Bill Bennett

A quorum was reached.

I. Submerged Aquatic Vegetation Project Update

J. Brawley updated the DBMC on the light attenuation research project that will be taking place in the Bay. Funding to purchase the light meters can be handled through the Town and the resulting delay in data collection and reporting is not a problem, according to the DEP. Training on the light meters will take place within the month.

II. Floats

- The DBMC would like to have D. Beers attend a meeting and describe the perceived issue with float usage within designated mooring areas. N. Lawson volunteered to speak with Don about attending a meeting.
 - o J. Carnuccio reported that D. Beers has no problem with the aquaculture floats, but he has no recourse to monitor how people use other types of floats.
- The Conservation Commission has said that culling oyster shells off the aquaculture float is not an environmental problem.
- There is a price discrepancy between moorings used for boats and moorings used for floats—what is to prevent someone from getting a mooring for a float and putting a boat on it instead?
- The float discussion will be table until later, when a stakeholder meeting can be held. There is no sense in opening a can of worms if no residents are perceiving a problem.
 - o The first week in July might be a good time to hold a public hearing.

III. Next Priority Issue: Water Quality

The next priority issue that the DBMC will address is water quality. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

IV. Past Minutes Approval

The minutes from April 12, 2007 were approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Corey Wisneski, Secretary