

Duxbury Bay Management Commission

Meeting Minutes – Thursday, January 10, 2008

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: Ned Lawson, Shawn Dahlen, Don Merry, Corey Wisneski (Secretary), Joe Messina, Emmett Sheehan

Missing: John Brawley, John Carnuccio, Jack Kent, Don Merry, Ned Lawson, Don Beers (*ex officio*)

A quorum was reached.

I. Aquaculture Management Plan

The DBMC will wait to discuss the revisions to the aquaculture management plan until next meeting so that the members can have time to read it.

II. Open Meeting Law

A reminder was shared that the open meeting law requires each of the DBMC meetings to be posted to the public and for minutes to be published.

III. Winter Safety

Ned Lawson voiced concerns about the winter season safety of people using the bay, especially aquaculturists. He does not see many people wearing life jackets or wet suits and is concerned about the lack of a real plan for on-water emergencies during the winter. There needs to be a fail-safe communication link that all people have access to and the Harbormaster needs to have a boat ready to deploy at all times. The Duxbury Fire Department can take too long to launch their vessel. It was suggested that a multi-departmental meeting be held, to include the fire department, the harbormaster department, shellfish association, Public Works, etc, to discuss plans for winter on-water emergencies.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Corey Wisneski
Secretary