Duxbury Bay Management Commission

Meeting Minutes – Thursday, May 8, 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 (Chair), Shawn Dahlen, John Brawley, Corey Wisneski (Secretary), Emmett Sheehan

Missing: Joe Messina, Don Merry, John Carnuccio, Jack Kent, Don Beers (ex officio)

A quorum was reached.

I. <u>Minutes</u>

Joe Messina had comments on the minutes from 4/26/2008, but he is absent so approval of these minutes will wait. The DBMC had a discussion on how to ensure that the DBMC gets to review aquaculture applications. The DBMC may be able to see any application after the Shellfish Advisory Committee has reviewed it, but before an official decision has been made.

II. Aquaculture Management Plan

Ned Lawson said that Betsy Sullivan received a copy of the Aquaculture Management Plan this morning. She indicated that allowing existing leaseholders to expand before letting other people in was a good idea. She also wanted to know why 5 acres was chosen as the next step up from 3 acres and if additional grow-out area would lead to additional structures. A motion was approved that the Plan be approved as written and that the DBMC will offer to brief the Selectmen, if necessary.

III. Moorings

Joe Messina wanted to know if there need to be buffer areas between moorings and aquaculture areas and, if so, he stated that this stipulation should be covered in both the Aquaculture Plan and the future Mooring Management Plan.

IV. Duxbury Beach Reservation Project

A plan by the Duxbury Beach Reservation was presented to the DBMC for constructing a wildlife education building at the east end of the bridge. This building will house offices for the ESO, an exhibit area for the public, and storage compartments for the Harbormasters' ATVs. Concern was voiced about the Porta-Potties that will be located near the first crossover. A motion was approved that the DBMC's comments be sent to the ConComm. Shawn Dahlen recused himself.

V. DBMC Member Positions

Ned Lawson will remain as chairman at least until December. Corey Wisneski stated that she would like to pass the Clerk's duties on to another member, but discussion on this can wait until more members are present.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Corey Wisneski Secretary