

Town of Barnstable

Waterways Committee

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Waterways Committee Meeting Minutes July 22, 2025

A meeting of the Town of Barnstable Waterways Committee was held via Zoom as approved by the Town Manager with the Committee's approval.

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Chairman Paul Everson. The quorum was confirmed, and Paul Everson read the following notice at the beginning of the meeting. NOTICE OF RECORDING "Please note that tonight's meeting is recorded and broadcast on Town of Barnstable's Government Access Channel and Website, and in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, s. 20, I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known.

Roll Call:

Board Members present:

Paul Everson, Chairman
Gary Shramek
Jacob Angelo
Todd Walantis

Town Staff Present:

Brian Taylor, Harbormaster
Jay Horn, Deputy Harbormaster (DHM)
Polina Plucinski, MEA Administrative Assistant

Public:

Dawid Lawler, Daniel Ojala, Betty Ludtke, Rachel Lynn, Celeste Howe, Ernie Eldridge, Sarah F. Alger, Brian Lynn, Sharon Monahan, Jake Dewey, Mr. Weston, Doreen Leggett, Eric Hesse, Holly Brown, Paul Neary, Timothy Hamel, Peter Farber, Than Drake, Rick Angelo, J. J. Madden, Michelle Aceto, Jared Anerbach, Paul Cushing, Molly Drake, Weston Gastrock, Kurt Martin, Tyler Hagenstein, Kris Clark, Steven D'Angelo, Sydney Crook.

II. Act on Minutes/Notes:

Paul Everson entertained a motion to accept the minutes from June 24th, 2025, as written. Jacob Angelo made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Gary Shramek – second. All in favor.

III. Notices of Intent (NOI):

1. Applicant: 260/270 Vineyard Rd LLC

Project Location: 260 & 270 Vineyard Rd, Cotuit, MA 02635 (map 015, parcels 006 003/004)

Representative: John O'Dea, Sullivan Engineering & Consulting, Inc.

Proposed Project: To repair and maintain existing revetment and to extend cobble berm.

At this time, Waterways Committee members do not have objection to this project.

Paul J. Everson – entertained a motion to accept.

Todd Walantis – so moved.

Gary Shramek – second.

All in favor

2. Applicant: Steven & Wendy D'Angelo

Project Location: 108 Long Beach Rd, Centerville, MA 02632 (map 206, parcel 005)

Representative: Daniel Ojala, Down Cape Engineering, Inc.

Proposed Project: Proposed fixed pier, ramp and floats

Conservation Hearing: 07/08/2025 6:30PM via Zoom

Daniel Ojala spoke on behalf of the applicants. Steven and Wendy D'Angelo are looking to permit an expansion of the existing license.

Deputy Harbormaster Horn raised his concerns regarding navigation on Centerville River, the size of the proposed structure that extends property lines, boat size, and dredging in the area.

Waterways Committee members shared the same concerns regarding the matter.

Public Comment: Sarah F. Alger spoke on behalf of the Wallace family (neighbors to the west of the location). She stated that from the submitted plan, the proposed 32-foot boat with three engines seems too large for space. Extending beyond both lot lines is excessive, especially since the area is only 25 feet wide. That clearly presents issues.

While some say the area is just muck with no shellfish, the Division of Marine Fisheries stated it's still a valuable habitat, which shouldn't be overlooked. Ms. Alger strongly agrees with the committee on the matter.

Paul J. Everson - this committee is not in favor at this time to accept this project as written. The committee is asking to come up with the new plans for this project. Mr. Everson proposed to come back to this project in the future.

IV. MOORING APPEALS: *None*

V. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Jacob Angelo, Fish Weir Renewal (5-year term) – continued.

David Lawler spoke on behalf of the applicant. Additional letters of support were presented to the Waterways Committee members. Further, Harbormaster Taylor introduced some amendments. This include adding a “danger buoy” in front of the fish weir and three yellow lights indicating the weir for navigational purposes. The Coast Guard should be notified as well. Dawid Lawler stated that the client (Jacob Anjelo) is more than happy to implement these reasonable requests.

The Waterways Committee members agreed that as long as this matter meets the Coast Guard standards and the Harbormaster's requirements for safety, the fish weir application can be approved.

Paul J. Everson proposed a vote on the matter.

Todd Walantis – make the motion to accept proposal with Harbormaster's amendments.

Gary Shramek – second.

All votes in favor.

VII. NEW BUSINESS: *None*

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter regarding unsafe docking for Pirate Adventures at BPM0003 - Than Drake from Pirate Adventures.

Representative: Peter Farber.

Mr. Farber explained the history and purpose of the vessel in slip #BPM0003 and highlighted a size issue with the vessel in joint slip #BPM0002 (FV “The Angler”). He expressed safety concerns due to the larger vessel, noting that Mr. Drake frequently conducts children's tours on his boat, “Sea Gypsy,” and is worried about the safety of

staff and children during docking. Mr. Farber requested that the vessel in slip #BPM0002 be replaced with a smaller boat.

Harbormaster Taylor spoke of the nature of the slips in Bismore Park Marina and the transient program. Harbormaster Taylor also stated that Mr. Drake was offered other slips and refused the offer. Waterways Committee suggested getting back to this matter in the future.

2. Letter regarding unsafe berthing from Captain Christopher Fox. – see comments above (same matter).
3. Letters of Support for Jacob Angelo regarding Fish Weir Renewal application:
 - Kris Clark
 - Timothy Hamel
 - Owen C. Nichols
 - Connor Rogan
 - Jen Villa

No further correspondence to any.

IX. HARBORMASTER REPORT

Deputy Harbormaster Horn presented a monthly report. See video.

X. MATTERS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR: *None*

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chairmen Paul J. Everson entertains a motion to adjourn at 8:52 pm, seconded by Gary Shramek.

Respectfully submitted,

Polina Plucinski
MEA Administrative Assistant
Town of Barnstable