

MEETING MINUTES

DHY Clean Waters Community Partnership *Dennis, Harwich, and Yarmouth*

Date: 04/20/2018

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Dennis Town Hall

Attendees:

Diane Chamberlain, David Johansen, Paul McCormick, Elizabeth Sullivan (Town of Dennis)

Larry Ballantine, Chris Clark (Town of Harwich)

Mark Forest, Shawn MacInnes (Town of Yarmouth)

Kara Johnston, David Young (CDM Smith)

Items

1. Previous Meeting Minutes
 - a. Chris Clark made motion to approve minutes from 3/16/2018. Diane Chamberlain seconded. Vote Unanimous.
2. Debrief of March 22, 2018 DHY Clean Waters Community Partnership Meeting
 - a. MassDEP will be issuing Op-Ed before Town Meetings in the Cape Cod Times
 - b. All agreed the overall meeting was positive and the fact all three towns didn't vote on the DHY Article at that meeting indicates how difficult it will be to pull together an acceptable Agreement to three communities.
3. Town Updates
 - a. Dennis
 - i. Finance Committee supporting DHY Town Meeting Article
 - ii. Paul McCormick presenting to various community groups to discuss DHY Town Meeting Article
 - b. Harwich
 - i. Held Community Meeting 4/19/2018 to discuss upcoming East Harwich sewer project. Over 80 people attended.
 - ii. The Town is scanning septic system plans and water service tie cards so they can be available online to those property owners in the Phase 2 sewer service area.

- iii. Multiple wastewater articles at Annual Town Meeting (including construction funds, water/wastewater charter revisions for governance, etc.)
 - c. Yarmouth
 - i. Water Resources Advisory Committee being created, and members will be appointed by BOS over next week
 - ii. Preparing for Town Meeting
 - iii. The Donohue Institute will be conducting an economic study in Yarmouth (including residential impact)
- 4. Review Brochure(s) for DHY Article at Annual Town Meetings
 - a. Dennis Requested Edits: Add Article #35 and BOS Sponsorship and send with Dennis Water Resources Brochure to Liz
 - b. Yarmouth Requested Edits: Add Yarmouth Article #34 to DHY Brochure
 - c. Print 500 copies each for Dennis and Yarmouth (DHY and Water Resources Brochures)
 - d. Harwich brochure already printed and delivered.
- 5. Discuss Approach to Establishing Meeting with MassDOT on Route 6 Bridge
 - a. Review of recent photo of Route 6 Bridge taken by Town of Yarmouth
 - b. Work with MassDEP to request a meeting with MassDOT
 - c. Work with Representative Whelan and Lieutenant Governor to discuss the issue as well
- 6. Review MFN Regional Wastewater District Agreement to determine topics for discussion at future meetings such as:
 - a. Governance, facility ownership, flows, cost sharing, etc.
 - b. Subgroup discussed each town appointing/ confirming members to be on the negotiating committee after the town meetings
 - c. Agreement Preparation Options Discussed:
 - i. Option 1: CDM Smith draft DHY Agreement using MFN as a starting point, to then be reviewed in detail by the negotiating committee by subject [Option 1 chosen by the subgroup]
 - ii. Option 2: Subgroup go through each section and draft an agreement

- d. Invite Selectmen and various committees to Overview Meeting to discuss engineering aspects and invite MFN to speak about their experience
 - e. Prepare schedule for agreement discussions
7. Topics for Future Meetings
- a. Invite Legislative Delegation to discuss filing of DHY Special Legislation (if passed at Town Meetings) and Route 6 Bridge meeting
 - b. Include grant budget updates in future meetings
8. Meeting Summary
- a. The working group members from the DHY Clean Waters Community Partnership met on April 20, 2018 and provided updates from each town.
 - b. The group discussed and reviewed brochures that will be distributed at all three town meetings in May describing the DHY Clean Waters Community Partnership article requesting ability to file special legislation allowing for the potential creation of a partnership.
 - c. The group discussed working with MassDEP and Cape representatives/senators to schedule a meeting with MassDOT to discuss the widening of the Route 6 bridge in order to improve flushing and water quality in the Bass River.
 - d. The subgroup will be creating a schedule to review and discuss elements that would make up a future agreement between the three towns.
9. Discussion of topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours before the meeting.
- a. None
10. Next Meeting: May 18, 2018 at 9:00 AM at Dennis Town Hall, Prue Room
11. Action Items

Assigned To	Action Item
CDM Smith	Send approved March 2018 Meeting Minutes
CDM Smith	Send Draft April 2018 Meeting Minutes
CDM Smith	Send Harwich presentation from 04-19-2018 Community Meeting to DHY Group
CDM Smith	Revise DHY Brochures for Dennis and Yarmouth
CDM Smith	Print 500 copies of Dennis and Yarmouth brochures
CDM Smith	Prepare schedule for agreement discussions
Liz Sullivan	Invite Representative Crocker, Senator Cyr, Representative Peake, and Representative Whelan to May 18 th DHY Meeting