

**Nantucket and Madaket Harbors Action Plan Update
Committee**

Monday, Sept. 5, 2023 at 1 p.m.

Meeting trailer, 131 Pleasant St., Nantucket, MA 02554

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available at Nantucket Government TV on YouTube**

Members present: Linda Williams (chair), Samantha Denette,
Peter Brace, Phil Smith (vice chair), Seth Engelbourg, Jesse Bell,
Dave Fronzuto

Members Absent: Emily Molden, Steve Leinbach

Natural Resources Dept (NRD): Jeff Carlson, Tara Riley

Urban Harbors Institute (UHI): Kim Starbuck, Kristin
Uiterwyk, Alan Bartels

Others: Steve McKenna, Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone
Management (CZM)

CALL TO ORDER

1:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Unanimously approved, 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Not completed yet.

**1. WELCOME (Jeff Carlson/Tara Riley/Linda
Williams/Kristin Uiterwyk)**

With Ms. Williams absent, Mr. Smith read the script for
remotely conducted open meetings

a. Update on Notice to Proceed

Ms. Starbuck reported that the notice to proceed from the state was
issued two weeks ago. Ms. Uiterwyk asked if the notice to proceed
would be affected if the NMHAPUC decided to amend the harbors

study area boundaries at any point in the planning process. Mr. McKenna said he would get an answer for Ms. Uiterwyk. Mr. Carlson said the Madaket Conservation Association might be requesting to have all plans concerning Madaket that use water resources maps synchronize with the harbor plan study area boundaries.

2. PUBLIC MEETINGS (Kim Starbuck/All)

a. Quick recap

Ms. Starbuck reported on how these public input meetings went, saying that both meetings were very successful with around 20 people showing up for the morning meeting held at the Great Harbor Yacht Club and about 30 people for the afternoon meeting at the Madaket Admiralty Club.

Ms. Williams joined the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

She added that these meetings were in an open format with each main harbor topic held open one at a time for discussion, questions and comments.

b. Follow-up with attendees

Mr. Carlson said his office got positive feedback from people who appreciated a public input meeting being held in Madaket. Mr. Brace observed that less people at this meeting with the open format meant that everyone got to hear all of the issues raised. Mr. Fronzuto agreed with Mr. Brace that the open format combined with lower attendance numbers worked well.

3. ONLINE SURVEY (Kim Starbuck)

a. Update on responses

Ms. Starbuck reported that the online survey collected 430 responses to date. She added that she sent out an email to all attendees of the public meetings with a QR code in it leading to the

survey in hopes of more people filling it out. Mr. Fronzuto said he's been promoting the survey, the public meeting and the harbor plan update at all meetings he attends.

Ms. Bell joined the meeting at 1:27 p.m.

b. Additional distribution

Ms. Starbuck said the survey is due to be closed on Sept. 15, although it could be extended an extra two weeks.

b. Environmental Justice – community engagement???

Ms. Uiterwyk said this topic might make a good case for extending the run of the survey. Ms. Williams said although the survey is in Spanish, finding the channels to send it through to this community is the real challenge.

Ms. Denette suggested that holding a Zoom public forum would be a good way to reach more people for feedback.

The NMHAPUC discussed how the open forum format works the best for small group public input discussions and how it would work for a possible online forum in the near future and possible date and time. The committee agreed the meeting time would be Sept. 18, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. online.

4. Coastal Resiliency Plan (Steve Leinbach)

a. Woods Hole Group mapping tool

Ms. Uiterwyk detailed the Woods Hole Group mapping tool for the NMHAPUC. She said the tool is great to get special information on predicted sea level rise going forward. She shared her screen to walk the committee through using the mapping tool and showed the committee how add a comment onto the map itself.

Ms. Bell suggested the ability to add a photo would be great. Mr. Brace agreed, adding that being able to add a short video would be great as well. Ms. Uiterwyk these functions don't yet exist yet, but they might in the future.

5. NEXT STEPS (ALL)

Ms. Starbuck reported that UHI is still interviewing Nantucketer to continue gathering input for the updated plan, including some of the committee members. She said she would be reaching out to the NMHAPUC members to set up interviews with them Ms. Williams requested the complete list of all the interviewees.

Mr. Smith suggested that there should be an organized effort to ensure that there would always be a ship chandlery/marine supply store on island in perpetuity. He offered that the NMHAPUC could be a facilitator of this. Ms. Williams suggested that ReMain Nantucket might be group that would be interested in helping with this effort. Mr. Brace said he was aware that the owner of the building where the current marine supply store is would be making this happen either way. Ms. Bell suggested making this an action item within the updated plan. Mr. Fronzuto said this situation would take care of itself on its own. Ms. Williams said she would connect with ReMain to see how it might help out. Ms. Bell said she thought the Chapter 91 license of the building the current marine supply store is in requires a marine supply store to be in the building. Mr. Engelbourg suggested starting by looking at the Chapter 91 license to see if in fact the current use is required.

a. Interviews

b. Next committee meeting

ADJURN

Mr. Smith called for adjournment. Mr. Brace made that motion and Ms. Denette seconded it. The NMHAPUC voted unanimously, 7-0 at 2:01 p.m. to adjourn the meeting;

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YOUTUBE MEETING LINK

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zsOlAsx1E88&list=PL49sKppy7VAhtfTnajKC38HEDIJx7asi0&index=11>

Future Meetings:

Sept. 18 and Oct. 2

Respectfully Submitted,
Peter B. Brace, Secretary