

Select Board Meeting Minutes
May 20, 2024
Harpswell Town Office
Approved 6.06.24

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

Selectmen Present: Chairman Kevin Johnson, Selectman David I. Chipman, Selectman Jane Covey

Staff Present: Kristi Eiane, Town Administrator

1. **Adoption of the Agenda:** The agenda was adopted as written.
2. **Public Comment: None**
3. **Update on the Design of the Mitchell Field Boat Launch:** Dan Bannon from GEI Consultants went over the design of the Mitchell Field boat launch. He explain that the design GEI had been working on included a 60-foot turning radius. He reported that some commercial boat haulers had suggested that 70 feet would be preferable. He explained that to achieve that, it would be necessary to occasionally have vehicles launching boats cross over the pedestrian lane, and that curbing would need to be removed. He suggested some alternatives to delineate the pedestrian lane such as paint and change of surface texture or removable posts. Amy Haible from the Planning Board spoke regarding concerns for liability. Spike Haible spoke regarding concerns that everyone would use a larger radius to make a wide swing. Mose Price inquired if the drawing presented included the 70-foot radius. Dan Bannon confirmed that it did. John Lloyd inquired if this design would allow for future expansion which may include a wharf. The Board concurred that it did. Bill Saxton of the Dolphin Marina spoke in support of the plan for a wider radius. Amy Haible requested that a copy of these minutes be placed in the planning file. Chairman Johnson moved, seconded by Selectman Chipman to increase the turning radius in the design to 70 feet. Motion passed 3-0.
4. **Public Comment: None**
5. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 pm without objection.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronda Peek
Recording Secretary