

CITY OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS

SALEM HARBOR PORT AUTHORITY

MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 3, 2019

A public meeting of the Salem Harbor Port Authority was convened at 5:00 pm at the Salem City Hall Annex, 98 Washington Street. The meeting was moved from the large conference room on the second floor to the large meeting room on the ground level to accommodate a large number of public attendees.

Members present: Mayor Kim Driscoll, Bob McCarthy- Ward 1 Councilor, Fred Atkins and Meaghan LeClerc.

Absent: Michael Rutstein

Others Present: Tom Daniels – Director, Planning and Community Development, Kathy Winn – Deputy Planner, Bill McHugh – Harbormaster/ FSO.

Mayor Driscoll called the meeting to order at 5:05pm.

Following introductions, a Community Benefits Agreement between Footprint Power Salem Harbor Real Estate LP and the City was distributed to all members as well as a Wharfing Agreement. The mission and scope of the Harbor Authority and the need to understand concepts for future use of the deep-water berth and how that might coincide with development of the remainder of the property was discussed. The limitations for use, including certain bulk cargos and lack of upland infrastructure including the geographic location within a neighborhood was noted. The need for a survey on the structure of deep-water pier was raised. The Committee was advised that Footprint Power had terminated their Facility Security Plan. Accordingly, all MTSA qualifying activity at the pier will utilize the City's Plan which is due for a five year assessment and re-submission to the Coast Guard. The group was advised on the latest USCG Certificate of Inspection for the NATHANIEL BOWDITCH. In particular, no discrepancies were recorded. The potential necessity for the installation life rafts was brought forward. The grant award for a second ferry vessel to supplement/expand passenger service between Salem and Boston was discussed.

A discussion of agenda items for the next meeting ensued. The following matters were put forward; setting the organizational structure of the Committee, identifying/assigning tasks and anticipated timelines and distribution/review of the legislation that enacted the Salem Harbor Authority.

Salem Harbor Port Authority adjourned at 6:09 pm