

West Dock Security Camera Group – Minutes of meeting April 19, 2023

In person meeting at 11AM. Those in attendance:

- Deborah Hancock – Chairperson
- Julianna Flanders – Chairperson of Park & Recreation Committee
- Jeffrey Maida – Chairperson of Harbor Advisory Committee
- Stephen Lewenberg – Member of Security Camera Group
- Marie Larsen – Chilmark Resident and running for office of Select Board
- Ryan Rossi - Harbormaster

Absent:

- Andrew Goldman – Member of Security Camera Group

Most of us arrived at 11:00AM but it was cold and windy, so we stayed in our cars as Ryan was not there yet. The meeting was called to order at 11:10AM. Julie was able to reach Ryan on the phone, there was a mix-up on times, but he was on his way ASAP. We read and discussed the minutes of the February 9, 2023 meeting. There were a couple corrections, including my misspelling of Stephen and Ryan had emailed a day after the Feb 9 meeting to correct a statement that was made. I said that I would revise the minutes and we could vote on them at our next meeting.

We went back to our cars and reconvened the meeting as soon as Ryan arrived.

Ryan showed us a photo of the West Dock showing locations that Ron Burson recommended, approximately 16 cameras. Ryan stated that he feels that many cameras are not needed, at this time. There was not a lot of crime on the West Dock last summer, partially do the cameras on the Harbormaster's shack being a deterrent.

Jeffrey said he thought it was good to start small. Julie mentioned we originally talked about seeing the cameras as a deterrent, not espionage. Ryan recommended that they install three cameras on the light post closest to the electric box.

We discussed that it is best to do what we can afford and not have to go back to the Town for more money. With the three we should be able to see almost everything except the channel dock.

Stephen said we don't need to go overboard, do the minimal, we trust people and fact that we haven't had an incident, thinks we should go with what Ryan recommends.

Stephen made a motion to do the minimal necessary to have a viable camera system on the West Dock. Install three cameras on one location preferable closest to where the fiber optic cable comes in as an optimal solution to the issue. Julie seconded, all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

We then went on to discuss that Ryan will get all costs and info from Cole Powers and Ron Burson and then we will have another meeting to understand exactly what is going to happen before installation takes place.

Julie asked if the tower got removed.

Ryan said he would move it to the Town Lot. It would be surplus and he'd go through proper channels.

We discussed that we should just make all of it disappear from the West Dock and move on.

At approximately 12:15/30pm Julie made a motion to adjourn, Jeffrey seconded the motion, and we were all in favor. Motion passed unanimously.