WAC Chairman Chris Murray called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. WAC members attending were Chris Murray, Tony Giannelli, Gary Hamilton, Rob Donahue, Jeff Cann, Michael Arnold, and Dave Morin. Doug Cameron, Officer Brian Murphy, and about 25 citizens also attended.

Motion made to accept the minutes from February 11, 2020 as submitted, seconded, and approved.

Citizens inquiries: None

Doug Cameron was given the floor to present Ipswich Wharf improvement plans:
- Drawn plans were displayed.
- Cement walls will be first to be completed, float anchors, ramp rebuild, then asphalt repairs.
- A pedestrian walkway and granite blocks to be installed.
- Northern Construction will complete the project for $425,000.
- March 20-June 1st construction is being planned.
- The wharf will be fenced off and closed.
- The ramp may be open while the wall is being worked on.
- The contractor may work with lobstermen and for trap access.
- Q: Lobster traps go over railing? A: No
- Q: IOC to give access? A: not determined but IOC is private.
- Q: Work hours and noise? A: regular work hours and yes it will be noisy.
- Q: Work area near wall? A: 8-10’.
- Q: Docks at ramp? A: No
- Q: Communication on mooring users and neighbors? A: Yes, the purpose of this meeting and email being sent out.
- Q: Design to be the same? A: Yes. It will not really look different.
- Signage will be town’s responsibility.
Q: Dinghy dock change? A: No.
Q: The pilings are $5K each.
Dave Morin stated the concerns of the IOC: Private property, liability, parking, and overuse. Working with select board and police on the issue.
Q: Boom OK? A: yes
Q: How popular is the wharf versus other ramps? A: Very used, maybe 4th busiest in Massachusetts.
Q: Fix ramp first? A: The contractor has a schedule.
Q: Defined work area? A: yes.
Docks going in June 1st.
Dinghy docks in soon.
Q: Fix the davit? A: Yes.

- Citizens inquiries: None.
- Ipswich Harbor Plan Discussion:
  Andy Breagle from open space attended the meeting. He stated the marsh and waterways are considered open space. He also distributed goals of natural resources and action items.
  Website has been drafted and being reviewed.
  The survey being launched.
  Voice mail box being worked on for comments and questions.
  Open meeting discussed.
  Chris Murray spoke about the shellfish committee interaction.
  Some mooring areas may have nearby shellfishing closed.
  Q: No overnight parking at the wharf? A: good idea, will look into.

- Peatfield Street Discussion:
  Tony Giannelli reported the project has been scaled back due to cost.
  A removable dock is being designed.
  Allocate $5K through waterways and $3500 through grants.
  The plan has been presented to the select board and Fin Comm being planned soon.
  Tony Giannelli was commended for his work on the project.
  Rob Cox will donate the chain for the project.

- Article 11 report:
  Being presented to Fin Comm after the select board.
• The next WAC meeting will be on April 8, 2020 at 7pm in the Ipswich Town Managers conference room.

• Next meeting agenda:
  1. Review and approve minutes from 3/11/20
  2. Citizen’s inquiries (5 minute time limit)
  3. Citizen’s inquiries discussion.
  4. Wharf congestion
  5. Harbormaster plan update.
  6. Non-motorized vessel launch discussion
  7. Wharf improvement discussion/police update
  8. Northeast Coastal Coalition
  9. Article 11 Discussion
  10. New and old business.
  11. Discuss meeting wrap up
  12. Next meeting and agenda

• Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9 pm, seconded and approved.

Attest: David Morin, Secretary  
Chris Murray, WAC Chairperson