# Mystic Harbor Management Commission

Minutes for Regular Meeting September 5, 2019 FINAL

The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting on September 5, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Members present were David Carreau (Chair), Lou Allyn, Rod Cook, Fred Allard, and Ken Scott. Also present were Harbormaster Don Procko, Katrina Bercaw (recording secretary), and guest Paul Bates.

### Call to Order:

Chairman Carreau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes of the June 6, 2019, Regular Meeting were presented. Mr. Scott made a motion that they be accepted. This was seconded by Mr. Allard and unanimously approved.

Harbormaster(s) Report: Harbormaster Procko reported that he followed up in response to calls about *Blue Bayou*, which had been anchored north of Mystic Seaport for over a month. Since this was not a safety issue, it was difficult for him to find out who the owner was. Ultimately, he did, and the boat was placed at Spicer's on a mooring. The owner plans to donate the craft to the Sea Scouts.

Harbormaster Procko also had difficulties getting details regarding cable crossings. This information is privileged for contractors and Harbormasters do not qualify. DEEP was helpful in obtaining the required information.

Harbormaster Procko reported that significantly more new property owners with riparian rights are requesting moorings than in previous years.

Masons Island Harbormaster said it had been a quiet summer with little need to rescue people or boats.

### Unfinished Business

East Fairway Speed Signs have been installed on the newly installed pilings. Chairman Carreau has received comments that the pilings have greatly clarified the channel with no groundings compared to approximately half a dozen from when anchored buoys were used. . Requests for two more pilings at the seaward end of the channel have been received to further increase effectiveness. Chairman Carreau made a motion to authorize Docko, Inc., to prepare a proposal to the DEEP to add these two additional piles. Mr. Allyn seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Mystic Harbor Management Plan Review: In progress

Marker Piles & "T - 3" Transient Anchorage Area (North of Seaport): This project is on hold pending Boathouse Park development.

Mystic River Boathouse Park Support: Total funding is not yet complete. Structures are in the concept stage. Waterfront concepts have been developed. Mr. Cook noted that there is also an added demand for boat launch access from other rowing groups.

### New Business

COP New Dinghy Dock Configuration - Masons Island Marina: The proposed dinghy dock had been approved for a previous owner which resulted in the DEEP permit already being granted. The project is not inconsistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan.

PZ1916ZC: Zoning Text & Map Amendment - Mystic Seaport Museum: Upon discussion, it was determined that no action was required.

General Permit: 4/40 Dock Application - Lambert's Cove, Stonington: It was determined that this is not in the Commission's jurisdiction.

COP: Dock Modification - Wilcox Cove (between Rt. #1 & RR tracks): It was determined that this is not in the Commission's jurisdiction.

**PZ1920CAM:** Septic System Design - 18 Skiff Lane, Masons Island: Mr. Allard moved to approve, as the project is not inconsistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Allyn seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Mr. Cook made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Mr. Allard and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:35.

Respectfully Submitted:

David Carreau - Chair