

Mystic Harbor Management Commission
September 3, 2015 Minutes
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The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, September 3, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Members present were Dave Carreau (Chair), Lou Allyn, Rod Cook, Jack Lee and Fred Allard. Also present were Harbormaster Don Procko, Ken Scott, Paul Bates, Tom Blumie, and Katrina Bercaw (recording secretary).

Call to Order

Chairman Carreau called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the July 2 meeting were presented. Mr. Allard made a motion to accept. It was seconded by Mr. Cook and unanimously approved.

Harbormaster's Report

No changes.

Unfinished Business

- Dredging of the Auxiliary Fairway north of Masons Island in 2015: Mr. Allyn will obtain a start date from Joe Salvatore of the Connecticut DOT.
- Cables under Route 1 Bridge: It has been determined that the alleged cables under the bridge are not a problem for dredging.
- Ram Island YC mooring in the East Fairway: This mooring is a hazard and must be removed. Harbormaster Procko will give notice that if is not removed the Commission will remove it.
- East Fairway Dredging Possibility: Mr. Allyn will investigate the start process with Joe Salvatore and explore the possible involvement of the new Port Authority. Mr. Allard noted that dredging would solve the obstruction problem on the eastern edge of the channel. In the interim, it is believed that a warning marker should be placed in this area.
- Mystic Harbor Management Plan Review: Mr. Allard noted that "rental" moorings in the transient area north of Mystic Seaport are not in compliance with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Also, Mr. Bates noted that commercial moorings need Army Corps of Engineers approval. The Harbormaster will investigate this situation.
- Public Notice: Chairman Carreau received a copy of a "Notice of Insufficiency" from the DEEP relative to Permit Application #201501172-MG submitted by Mr. Andre Maurice for the proposed pier at 36 Riverbend Drive in Old Mystic. It states that modifications will be required in order to minimize or avoid the potential for navigational conflicts.
- Jail House Point on Holmes Street: Chairman Carreau will work with Gwenmor Marine on plans for winterization of the float and ramp this fall per Gwenmor's proposal letter of 4/22/15.

New Business

- Barge Removal: Harbormaster Procko requested that the commission approve \$53.00 to cover the DEEP Permit removal fee incurred by CUSH. Mr. Allyn moved that it be approved. Mr. Allard seconded the motion. All were in favor.

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- Public Dinghy Dock: Mr. Allard presented a sketch for an additional sign for the Holmes Street Dock. Mr. Cook moved and Mr. Lee seconded a motion to order the sign. All were in favor.
- DEEP-OLISP-APP-101E: A proposal for a dock for Penelope Townsend at 27 Chippechaug Trail, Masons Island, was presented. The proposed ramp/float/boat elevator is consistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Allard moved that the plan be accepted. Mr. Cook seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.
- DEEP-OLISP-AAP-200-COP: A proposal was presented for a New Graded Public Access Path and the remove of an old float by Franklin Construction in Admiral Cove, Old Mystic. Public access and a kayak launch area are being provided. The proposed project is consistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Allyn moved that the Commission approve the plan. Mr. Allard seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.
- PZ1518SUP: A proposal for added parking at 1 Harry Austin Dr. Mystic was examined. It was found not to be in compliance with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan because it does not address the storm runoff requirement described on page 42 of the plan. Mr. Allard moved that the application *not* be accepted because it is inconsistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Allyn seconded, and the motion was unanimously acted upon.
- Marker Buoy #3 East Fairway: This buoy is in need of repair and will not survive the winter. A motion was made by Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Cook for Mr. Carreau to have the buoy hauled and repaired. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Harbormaster's Service Mooring: The condition of this mooring and the float are in question. A motion was made by Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Cook to have the mooring dived upon and the float replaced. The motion was unanimously approved.
- DEEP-COP Application #201505218-MG: Additional questions were asked by the DEEP on the proposal to dredge the Secondary Auxiliary Channel north of Masons Island. This activity is consistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Allard moved that the proposal be approved and Mr. Lee seconded. The proposal was unanimously approved.
- Derelict Mushroom Mooring east of Masons Island: The deteriorated shaft which is upright creates a hazard. It was found by the Shellfish Warden. A motion was made by Mr. Allyn and seconded by Mr. Allard to have it removed. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Carreau moved and Mr. Allyn seconded a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:30.