

Mystic Harbor Management Commission
January 8, 2015 Minutes
Final

The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Commission members present were: Chairman David Carreau, Lou Allyn, Don Procko, Rod Cook, Fred Allard, Jack Lee and Harbor Master Paul Watts and recording secretary Jeff Anderson. Bill Brissette, Ken Scott, David Provencher, and Jack Morehouse also attended.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., beginning with the Pledge Of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Cook made a motion to accept the November 2014 minutes as revised. Mr. Allard seconded the motion and the Commission unanimously approved it.

Mr. Procko made a motion to accept the December 2014 minutes. Mr. Allyn seconded the motion and the Commission unanimously approved it.

Harbor Master Reports

Harbormaster Watts sent a thank you note to Jeff Jones thanking him for the removal of the Murphy boat.

Harbormaster Watts sent a letter to the town of Groton suggested that the town begin to charge mooring fees. Lack of any fee does not provide proper respect for this privilege.

Two complaints about the dredging of the Mystic river were received, one for wakes from the tug boats and noise at 3 am from the equipment. The dredging schedule must be maintained to meet DEEP environmental constraints.

Harbor Master Watts reported that a platform float has broken loose. He is requesting help to remove it.

Mr. Murphy has another boat that has broken loose and is beached on YMCA property. This is an ongoing problem which must be addressed.

Mooring Design and Assignment

Mooring permits for 2015 are in process. The waiting list will be posted next week.

Harbormaster Watts provided the list of the boats that were in the turning basin and removed for dredging. The commission and harbormaster are working on their replacement location. The Commission hopes to inform the affected boat owners of their specific location by April 1.

Mason's Island Mooring permit renewals have been mailed to qualified mooring holders.

Unfinished Business

Dredging of Federal Channel

Work continues with regard to the Federal Channel as scheduled. It will be completed by the end of January.

No. 6 East Fairway Marker and Ram Is. YC Mooring

The half sunk No. 6 marker buoy has been removed. Inspection shows that the outer casing has been sliced open with a boat's bow imprint. The Ram Island YC mooring has not been moved due to the winter weather. Harbormaster Watts will contact the Ram Island Yacht Club about this situation.

East Fairway Mooring Obstruction

The commission reviewed the surveyors report regarding the line of stones on the edge of the fairway.

Mystic Harbor Management Plan Review

The process for updating the 1995 Mystic Harbor Management Plan was discussed.

New Business

DEEP-101E, Mosons Island Marina Expansion, J. Morehouse

David Provencher (Coastline Consulting), representing Mason Island Marina presented the plan. Mr. Allyn made a motion that the commission does not object to the request and there are no inconsistencies with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Procko seconded the motion. The commission approved it.

PZ1418SUP-CAM Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center

Mr. Allard made a motion that the commission does not object to the plan and there are no inconsistencies with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Cooke seconded the motion. The commission approved it.

Adjournment

Our meeting was adjourned at 8:42



Respectfully submitted,
David Carreau - Chairman