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Mystic Harbor Management Commission

April 7, 2016 Minutes

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The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held its regular meeting on April 7, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Commission Members present were Dave Carreau (Chair), Lou Allyn, Rod Cook, Jack Lee, Ken Scott, and Fred Allard. Also present were Harbormaster Don Procko, Attorney Brian Estep, Keith Neilson P.E. and Katrina Bercaw (recording secretary). Guests were Andrew Stackpole, Gary Julian, Steven Small, Jayne Scott, and Tom Blumie.

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 March 3, 2016, regular meeting were presented. Harbormaster Procko suggested changing the wording to the Mooring Permits section on page 2 by eliminating "Next season" and changing "will be required" to "was discussed". Mr. Scott made a motion to accept the change. It was seconded by Mr. Allyn and unanimously approved. Minutes of the March 31, 2016, special meeting were presented. Mr. Scott made a motion to accept which was seconded by Mr. Allard and unanimously approved.

Harbormaster

Harbormaster Procko reported that the mooring permit applications are all in. There continues to be a substantial waiting list.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Allard made a motion to move agenda item 4e regarding the A. Maurice application forward in recognition of the guests present. Mr. Cook seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Mr. Allard then made a motion to remove the tabled motion from the table which is to accept a proposed 2 foot setback of the dock toward shore. Mr. Cook seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Attorney Estep then reported that he is filing a request for intervening party status with the DEEP for the public hearing. The DEEP has scheduled a site visit for May 4 at 2 p.m. The public hearing will be on May 10 at 6 p.m. at the Mystic Fire Station, 34 Broadway, Mystic. Mr. Allard then moved to retable the motion to approve the plan for the 2 foot setback. Mr. Allyn seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

Secondary Auxiliary State Channel: The March 28, 2016, e-mail from Jeff Marshall of Mystic Shipyard to Harbormaster Procko, commission members and boatyards in the area on channel marker replacement was discussed. Jack Morehouse of Masons Island Marina had talked to Chairman Carreau and offered to install pilings at the western end of the recently dredged channel, at cost, so that all of this channel would be marked with pilings. This would be desirable because the channel would be distinct from the federal channel buoys and would not impose scope problems in this narrow 50 ft

channel. It would be cost effective if all parties could contribute. However, Jack will not have the capability for driving piles until late summer. Therefore, a solution for this summer is for the commission to replace the two green marker buoys for which there are USCG permits. Chairman Carreau asked for alternative thoughts but recommended that we proceed with getting the existing marker buoys ready for use.

Mooring Permits: Harbormaster Procko has requested mooring owners to provide the Latitude and Longitude location of their moorings. He will continue to ask for Vessel Registration Numbers as proof of vessel ownership.

East Fairway Dredging - Hydrographic Survey: The immediate task is to replace the No. 3 Green marker buoy which disappeared last fall. The new buoy has been received. Painting and assembly of the ground tackle and counter weight are in process.

Private Moorings In the North Transient Anchorage Area T-3: The Commission and Harbormaster are pursuing alternatives to determine a workable location outside of the transient area, which will be consistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan.

Sign for Public Dinghy Dock at Holmes Street: The signs will be procured.

Dock at Clipper Point – Documentation Update: Docko, Inc., is working on the documentation.

New Business

DEEP Application Permit Form for a dock at 7 Bay Street, Mystic, was presented by Andrew Stackpole, owner. This project is consistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Allyn made a motion to accept. Mr. Cook seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

A derelict boat has been secured by the Masons Island Marina to prevent damage to surrounding property. It is about 18 feet long and is floating but awash. Harbormaster Procko will take steps to determine the owner or if it has been abandoned. Chairman Carreau will notify the Town Hall for the possibility of disposal.

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

Respectfully Submitted:

David Carreau, Chairman