March 9, 2022

The Waterfront Commission held a meeting on this date at 6:30 p.m. Members in attendance were Chairman Sandy Grimes, Bob Guzzo, Michael Grimshaw and Gene Pfeifer.

Ms. Dinwoodie, Ethan Grimes and Ms. Hayes-Houlihan were absent.

Chairman Grimes called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm.

Comments from the Public - None

Treasurer's Report – As of this date, the balance in the Waterfront Commission account is \$1600.00 Mr. Pfeifer made a motion to accept the report as read. Mr. Guzzo seconded the motion, and voting was unanimous.

Previous Minutes – Mr. Guzzo made a motion to approve the minutes of the September meeting. Mr. Pfeifer seconded the motion, and voting was unanimous.

Old Business

- <u>Dock Area Maintenance/Repairs</u> Mr. Guzzo reported that the rain damage from the storm in the dock office has been submitted and approved by the insurance company. They have determined there is rust in the roof rafters which continues to cause leaking. It is being addressed. Mr. Guzzo added that he continues to meet with the First Selectman regarding the icehouse. Grants are available and they are looking into acquiring one for the North Dock damage, but the association feel strongly that ice and fuel are the critical items to keep the fleet afloat. The ice machine must be addressed.
- <u>Donahue Park</u> Looks good. The 22nd Annual Pawcatuck River Duck Race is scheduled for April 30, 2022.
- Town Dock signage State and Local –No additional information.

Chairman Grimes informed the members that he met with the First Selectman who informed him that the vendors for the Farmers Market have indicated they would prefer to remain at the Velvet Mill in Stonington.

Discussion ensued regarding Lobster Pot Tree and disruptions to Fleet activities. They plan to address these issues prior to next year's event.

Mr. Grimshaw informed the Commission that he has been asked to preside as Grand Marshall at the 2022 Blessing of the Fleet.

Chairman Grimes stated that because of the Commission having not met since September 2021, the 2022-2023 Budget and Commentary was submitted as same as prior year. Mr. Pfeifer made a motion to increase the Clerical Services salary to \$200.00 per meeting. Mr. Grimshaw seconded, and voting was unanimous. Chairman Grimes will talk to First Selectman to make necessary adjustment.

Invitation to Stonington Small Boat Association will be sent for attendance at April 2022 meeting.

Correspondence – Stonington Garden Club *Gardens by the Sea* tour to take place June 10 and June 11, 2022. All proper documentation and requirements have been met.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mr. Guzzo made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Pfeifer seconded the motion, and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ethan Grimes