

MYSTIC HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

Minutes of REGULAR Meeting
April 7, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

FINAL

The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on April 7, 2022, at Stonington Middle School at 204 Mistuxet Avenue. Members present were Dave Carreau, Lou Allyn, Fred Allard, Rod Cook, Matt Beaudoin and Ken Scott. Also present was recording secretary Katrina Bercaw. Harbormaster Don Procko was not able to be there.

Call to Order

Chairman Carreau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was said. Minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 3, 2022, were reviewed. Mr. Cook made a motion that the minutes be approved. Mr. Allard seconded the motion, which carried with all in favor.

Harbormasters' Reports

A non-profit group based in Boston, the Emerald Tutu, is investigating an innovative way to dampen wave energy in waters close to shore. They contacted Mr. Allyn and Harbormaster Rufus Allyn and secured permission to place an 8-foot diameter fibrous floating mat off the marsh just north of the Allyn's Alley dock on Masons Island. The float will be loaded with bio matter such as seagrass, as well as marine growth underneath. Phase 1 of the study is to see how well the grass will do. Phase 2 will be to determine the impact on wave height and energy.

For more information see

<https://news.mit.edu/2020/emerald-tutu-design-wins-nsf-grant-protect-boston-coastline-0903>

Mr. Allyn contacted mooring owners who had not yet paid for their permits.

Unfinished Business

- a.
- b. Mystic Harbor Management Plan - Review by Commission members continues. Mr. Allard has contacted the Stonington Shellfish Commission for information on current shellfish sites to include in the plan.
- c. East Fairway – Sign Installation on Piles is in place. Disposal of dredging material options to obtain a minimum channel depth of five feet was discussed.
- d. Mystic River Boathouse Park Support - no news

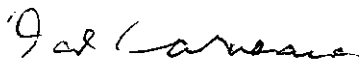
New Business

- a. COP to retain existing bulkhead, remove the fixed pier, and install a new fixed pier, ramp, and float at 68 Masons Island Road, at the Spanos Property was reviewed Mr. Cook made a motion that this application be tabled until the next meeting to enable a site review. Mr. Allard seconded the motion, which passed with all in favor.
- b. COP Bulkhead Retention and new dock at 2 Quarry Road, Masons Island. The old structure has been removed. The new structure is higher than necessary based on the 5-foot clearance under the dock at Mean Low Water for public lateral access required by the Mystic Harbor Management Plan and the DEEP. Also, it is substantially higher than the other docks in this small cove area. Mr. Allard moved that the application be approved, as it is not inconsistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Cook seconded the motion, which was approved with all in favor.
- c. COP Repair to existing pier at 6 North Shore Way - for information only - not in the Commission's jurisdiction.

Adjourn

Mr. Allyn made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Scott seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:


Dave Carreau, Chairman