



**Stonington Harbor Management Commission**  
**November 8, 2021**  
**Minutes by (Melanie Degler, Secretary)**



**1. Call to Order:**

Chairman Spalding called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

**Attending:** Chairman Jay Spalding, Secretary Melanie Degler, Vice Chairman Jesse Diggs, Commissioners Tori Gimple, Bruce MacKinnon, Caleb Rose, Edward Smith and Joseph Williams, and Harbormaster Eric Donch  
**Not in Attendance:** Treasurer Sherm Crites and Deputy Harbormaster Charles Estabrooks

**2. Minutes:**

The Minutes of the October Special meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the October 2021 Minutes. Commissioner MacKinnon seconded the motion. No further discussion occurred, all in favor, motion approved.

**ACTION ITEM #1: Ongoing - Harbormaster Donch will contact all mooring holders who had Winter Sticks on their moorings as of 6/30/21 to determine removal issue and whether their mooring permit will be revoked for non-use for the 2022 season.**

**3. Public Comment:** Mr. Ian Cooke asked for an update on the new Waitlist fees (*see Online Mooring up date by Secretary Degler*). He also thanked the Commission for all they have done and continue to do for the Harbor.

**4. Correspondence:**

**In Jurisdiction:**

- COP Application for Lockwood/Coveside Marina – The application for existing permitted docks was reviewed. Acceptance of the submittal is consistent with the SHMC Plan. Vice Chairman Diggs made a motion to approve the application as submitted. Commissioner MacKinnon seconded the motion. No further discussion occurred, all in favor, motion approved.
- COP Application for 302 Osbrook Point – The application for a new pile mounted boat lift was reviewed. Acceptance of the submittal is consistent with the SHMC Plan. Vice Chairman Diggs made a motion to approve the application as submitted. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. No further discussion occurred, all in favor, motion approved.

**Out of Jurisdiction:** There was none.

**5. Treasurer's Report:**

The Financial Report for October 2021 was reviewed and attached to these minutes.

- Harbormaster New Vessel Transaction - The bid waiver from the Town of Stonington, Board of Finance was received.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Commissioner Gimple seconded the motion. No further discussion occurred, all in favor, motion approved.

**6. Harbormaster's Report:**

The Harbormaster's Report for November 2021 was reviewed and attached to these minutes. Commissioner MacKinnon made a motion to approve the Harbormaster's Report as presented. Vice Chairman Diggs seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor, motion approved.

**7. Old Business:**

1. Online Mooring Update - Secretary Degler gave an update on her work with Online Moorings (OLM).
  - a. **Waitlist is now at 148 down from original 244.**
  - b. The new Waitlist Renewal bills with the new \$25 annual fee were sent to all Waitlist applicants 9-15-21.

- i. All renewals have been paid in full.
  - ii. Twelve (12) were removed for non-payment after two (2) emails and a voicemail left for each applicant.
- c. The new Waitlist Renewal fee reduced the Waitlist as originally intended.
  - d. One call was received from an individual who said he was previously on the Waitlist but is not currently showing. HM Donch and Secretary Degler investigated all electronic and paper records for the Waitlist and did not locate the individual's application. He also could not provide any proof. Secretary Degler instructed him to submit a new application, which has been done.
  - e. Four (4) new Waitlist Applications were received, fee paid and approved in October.
  - f. Harbormaster Donch and Secretary Degler will be looking at the next twenty-one (21) names on the Waitlist, including the nine (9) deferrals from last year, for new mooring assignments for 2022.
2. Harbormaster Boat Replacement – The decision was made by Chairman Spalding, Vice Chairman Diggs, and HM Donch to pursue the purchase of a new Romarine Ocean Scout 20 Bristol, same model/size as the current vessel, after meeting with the boat builder. The current boat's motor will be retained and Romarine will accept the current boat as a trade. Anticipated delivery is June 2022.

**ACTION ITEM #2: Chairman Spalding will deliver the Romarine invoice to the Town Hall this week for a deposit check to be sent as soon as possible.**

3. SHMP Revision Status – Reviewed electronic version provided via email.


**ACTION ITEM #3: All Commissioners are to review and send comments via email to Commissioner Smith for review and inclusion BY 11/30/21.**

4. Public Access Working Group – The Commissioners discussed the need for this Working Group. Commissioner MacKinnon made a motion to table this item until further notice. Commissioner Rose seconded the motion. No further discussion occurred, all in favor, motion approved.

**8. New Business:**

- HM Donch suggested we contact the CT Boaters Guide, Dockwa and Cruising Guides to ensure Stonington Harbor is included and Harbor amenities are listed.

**9. Adjournment:** Chairman Spalding adjourned the meeting at 8:50 pm.

Approved:   
*Jay Spalding- Chairman SHMC*

Date: 13 Dec 2021

**Attachments:**

- Treasurer's Report
- Harbormaster's Report

Treasurer's Report

<i>Plan</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sep</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>Probable</i>
10,799	14,358.67	839.01	2,006.11	10,798.62	10,798.62
128/275/14	0/0/0			128/270/15	128/270/15
26,830	0.00	720.00		27,200.00	28,000.00
0	0.00		250.00	750.00	3,800.00
200	0.00	500.00		500.00	500.00
37,829	14,358.67	2,059.01	2,256.11	39,248.62	43,098.62
300			162.00	162.00	162.00
	30.48			30.48	30.48
5,000	85.62	52.90	1,089.20	6,258.08	7,000.00
	5,000.12		591.45	5,641.57	5,641.57
5,300	5,116.22	52.90	1,842.65	12,092.13	12,834.05
200	103.56		124.71	447.32	447.32
2,500				2,656.00	2,656.00
0				0.00	0.00
1,000				0.00	1,000.00
250	27.78			941.48	1,000.00
3,950	131.34	0.00	124.71	4,044.80	5,103.32
6,000				5,898.57	10,000.00
500				0.00	1,600.00
500				0.00	0.00
0				39.66	0.00
7,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,938.23	11,600.00
300				0.00	0.00
				0.00	0.00
				0.00	0.00
300	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0				0.00	0.00
3,000				2,929.19	2,929.19
700	1,132.10			1,387.52	1,387.52
3,700	1,132.10	0.00	0.00	4,316.71	4,316.71
20,250	6,379.66	52.90	1,967.36	26,391.87	33,854.08
10,000	5,610.00			8,610.00	8,610.00
5,000				0.00	0.00
5,000	1,530.00			3,958.00	3,958.00
0				0.00	0.00
0				0.00	0.00
20,000	7,140.00	0.00	0.00	12,568.00	12,568.00
40,250	13,519.66	52.90	1,967.36	38,959.87	46,422.08
(2,421)	839.01	2,006.11	288.75	288.75	(3,323.46)
300					300.00
30,000					26,500.00
10,000					10,000.00
10,000					10,000.00

