

Mystic Harbor Management Commission
Minutes for April 6, 2017

FINAL

The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held its regular meeting on April 6, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Commission members present were Dave Carreau (Chair), Lou Allyn, Fred Allard, Rod Cook and Ken Scott. Also present were Harbormaster Don Procko, Katrina Bercaw (recording secretary), and guest Keith Neilson, Docko Inc.

Call to Order

Chairman Carreau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the March 2, 2017, regular meeting were presented. Mr. Allard made a motion to accept. It was seconded by Mr. Scott and unanimously approved.

Harbormaster

Harbormaster Procko reported that \$400 more from mooring permit applications has been deposited. He is updating the database as information arrives and phoning delinquent mooring holders.

Connecticut harbormasters now work under the Connecticut DEEP. Harbormaster Procko noted that since Dave Rossiter retired from the CT - DOT no one from the DEEP has made contact.

Lou Allyn is working with information from the Town of Stonington Financial Department to develop more detail.

Unfinished Business

Secondary Auxiliary State Channel: Chairman Carreau reported that the red and green marker boards are now installed on the four new pilings marking the newly dredged channel north of Masons Island. Mr. Allard made a motion to shorten the name to "Auxiliary Channel" for ease in working with permits and future reference. Mr. Cook seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Commercial Moorings: no new information.

East Fairway Dredging: On hold pending other projects.

Mystic Harbor Management Plan Review: In process pending developing new information.

Mystic River Boathouse Park and T-3 Anchorage Area: Commission members reviewed updated information on the hydrographic survey map prepared by Mr. Allard and Mr. Neilson of Docko. This presented an overall concept for marking the historic channel to Old Mystic, revising the T-3 transient anchorage area and possible locations of docks. The object is to make sure that there is no interference with the Mystic River Boathouse Park rowing objectives and support other public activities while respecting the surrounding area. More detailed information has been provided in a letter prepared by the Harbor Commission and sent to First Selectman Rob Simmons dated April 3, 2017. Mr. Allard is incorporating developing information into the preliminary revision of the Mystic Harbor Management Plan which has not been revised since its initial publication in 1995.

Pier & Float Application by A. Maurice, 36 Riverbend Drive: Town Attorney Brian Estep prepared the following statement. "The Applicant and the Mystic Harbor Commission have each filed a Memorandum of Law regarding the Commission's Exceptions to the Proposed Final Decision. Deputy Commissioner Susan K. Whalen has been assigned by the DEEP to be the final decision maker on this application. We are awaiting her decision."

Dock at Clipper Point: DEEP and Docko, Inc., are working on the documentation.

New Business

Jason Vincent, Director of Planning for the Town of Stonington, has arranged for a Freedom of Information training session. This session will be conducted by Tom Hennick from the Freedom of Information Commission on April 17 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the LaGrua Center at 32 Water Street in the Borough of Stonington.

Mr. Cook moved and Mr. Allyn seconded a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



David Carreau, Chairman