

Mystic Harbor Management Commission

Minutes for Regular Meeting

October 5, 2017

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The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting on October 5, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Members present were David Carreau (Chair), Lou Allyn, Rod Cook, Fred Allard and Ken Scott. Also present were Harbormaster Don Procko and Katrina Bereaw (recording secretary).

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 September 7, 2017, Regular Meeting were presented. Clarification was suggested and incorporated. Mr. Cook made a motion that the minutes be accepted as modified. It was seconded by Mr. Scott and unanimously approved.

Harbormaster

Harbormaster Procko contacted Mr. Jerry Desmond who stated that no review or modifications of the boat livery regulations and requirements are planned at this time. The vessel "Poet's Lounge" has been successfully relocated. The harbormaster notified the USCG that the East Fairway channel markers have been removed for the season. Harbormaster Procko responded to the USCG station in New Haven CT regarding an oil spill report. Nothing was found. The newest contact at the CT - DEEP for harbormasters, now that the administrative responsibility has been transferred from the CT - DOT, is Mr. Kevin Zawoy.

Unfinished Business

East Fairway Markers: The East Fairway markers have been removed and notification provided to USCG as stated above. Mr. Allard provided a sketch for a 75 foot wide fairway in the area designated in the Management Plan. The goal is to avoid the shoal areas to the east as much as possible. It utilizes the Hydrographic Survey performed for the commission on October 23, 2015 and the dive inspection conducted by Mr. Jay Kane of Shoreline Diving Services, Inc. Mr. Keith Neilson of Docko, Inc., has been in contact with the DEEP on the Commission's plan to use piles, in the marker positions authorized in our Management Plan. The plan was approved in May 1995 by all responsible Connecticut agencies and by Town Referendum. Marker pilings have a minimum footprint because there is no scope and they provide the opportunity to attach sign boards for information such as hazards. Also, they cannot be moved off station. It is necessary that this effort be finalized by spring to continue the reduction of small boat traffic in the main federal channel adjacent to the village of Noank.

Mystic Harbor Management Plan Review: Updates are being incorporated as new data is available.

Pier & Float Application by A. Maurice, 36 Riverbend Drive: no new information.

Anchorage Area T-3 - North Channel Marking: The permit application for pilings, to mark the channel north of the Mystic Seaport up to Riverview Cemetery, has been submitted to the DEEP by Docko Inc.

Mystic River Boathouse Park: Commission members are working with First Selectman Rob Simmons requesting space for a transient dinghy dock in the site development effort. This is necessary for boaters who visit the Mystic River and utilize the T-3 anchorage area designated in the Mystic Harbor Management Plan.

New Business

The regular meeting schedule for 2018 for the Mystic Harbor Management Commission is as follows:

First Thursday of each month 7:00 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Scott, seconded by Mr. Cook, and unanimously approved. It was signed by Chairman Carreau and Mr. Allard, MHMC Secretary.

Mr. Allard moved and Mr. Scott seconded a motion to adjourn which was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



David Carreau - Chairman