Mystic Harbor Management Commission Minutes for Regular Meeting

June 7, 2018

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The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting on June 7, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Members present were David Carreau (Chair), Lou Allyn, Rod Cook and Ken Scott. Also present were Harbormaster Don Procko, guest Keith Neilson and Katrina Bercaw (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 May 3, 2018, Regular Meeting were presented. Mr. Cook made a motion that the minutes be accepted. It was seconded by Mr. Scott and unanimously approved.

Harbormaster: An additional \$150 in Mooring permit fees was deposited. Harbormaster Procko is able to spend about 15 hours a week on the river. His boat has Harbormaster signage and a yellow strobe. He thanked Mr. Brian Burdick for insight into the Noank mooring grid. He is pursuing complaints concerning congestion at the Amtrak bridge, boatyard and mooring area.

Unfinished Business

East Fairway Pile Marker Sign Procurement: Harbormaster Procko has investigated the options of size and USCG recommendations. Due to channel width, concerns of winter survival and cost, it was agreed that the nominal 24-inch signs are most appropriate. Harbormaster Procko will obtain quotes for the twelve signs required plus a set for spares.

Town of Stonington Website update: Camera-ready copy has been prepared to update the town website regarding the East Fairway Channel marking information. The site will be updated as soon as CT-DEEP approves General Permit 201804473 and the piles are in place.

East Fairway Marker Installation: It is necessary that the pilings be installed from a safety point-of-view for this boating season. The General Permit request prepared by Docko, Inc. is currently held up by the Old Lyme DEEP although at our May 3, 2018 Commission meeting, Mr. Mike Payton testified that he would endorse the request because speed limits are in place.

Mystic Harbor Management Plan Review: Mr. Allard continues updating the plan.

Pier & Float Application - A. Maurice: No new information.

Anchorage Area T-3: The Commission received approval from the CT DEEP and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for marking the historic channel north of the Mystic Seaport Museum

to the Mystic Cemetery with pilings. Chairman Carreau explained the refusal of the Old Lyme DEEP to allow pilings in this area from a safety point-of-view because there is no speed limit in this area. This situation was explained at the Boathouse Park meeting on May 7, 2018. It was generally believed that there should be a boating speed limit north of the Mystic Seaport.

Mystic River Boathouse Park: Mr. Neilson shared information on the Park Committee's plan to restore the site with "living shoreline" landscaping. Low plants will enhance visual access from the road. Floats for launching the rowing shells are to the north and a utility dock on the south. The need for a dinghy dock for transient boaters anchoring in the T-3 area which was outlined in the letter dated April 3, 2017 from Chairman Carreau was reiterated.

New Business

DEEP Revised Application for New Pier and Float Modification - R.W. Bradley, 36 Roseleah Drive. This was initially approved at our May 3, 2018 meeting. The revised application essentially refines dimensional details and is still consistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Allyn moved that the revised application be approved. Mr. Cook seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

CT DEEP LWRD LEAN Process - Gleysteen Property, Andrews Island.
This proposed pier modification is outside of the commission's jurisdiction. Chairman Carreau stated that as in the past it would be reviewed to aid the applicant. It was determined that application, if it were in the Commission's jurisdiction, would be consistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Scott moved that the application should be approved. Mr. Cook seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

PZ1812CAM, Bruce Coletti, 100 Old North Road, Mystic for Demolition & Reconstruction. Chairman Carreau summarized the information received from the Stonington Planning and Zoning Commission. The plan addresses and accomplishes the Storm Runoff requirements detailed on page 42 of the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Scott made a motion to accept, which was seconded by Mr. Allyn and unanimously approved.

PZ1814SUP, M. Comeau, 19 Roosevelt Avenue, Mystic for Demolition & Reconstruction - 3-Story mixed use. Chairman Carreau summarized the information received from the Stonington Planning and Zoning Commission. The plan addresses and accomplishes the Storm Runoff requirements detailed on page 42 of the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Allyn made a motion to accept, which was seconded by Mr. Scott and unanimously approved.

Mr. Cook moved and Mr. Scott seconded a motion to adjourn which was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

David Carreau - Chairman