

February 26, 2018

The Waterfront Commission held a special joint meeting on this date at the Town Dock meeting room, Stonington, CT. Members present were Sandy Grimes, Chairman; Bill Bomster; Mike Grimshaw; Ethan Grimes and Stephanie Hayes-Houlihan. Southern New England Fishermen's and Lobstermen's Association members Bob Guzzo and Joe Bomster were in attendance.

Chairman Grimes called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Connecticut Port Authority Grant --

The Town has been awarded \$255,000 for the South Pier. The Waterfront Commission has been assigned to oversee the South Pier project working with the Southern New England Fishermen's and Lobstermen's Association. Mr. Grimshaw, President of SNEFLA stated that the washout needs to be fixed. Backfill from the storm surges didn't hold on the north side of the South pier. He added that the Association wasn't listened to last time when company doing work used black fiber fill, which they were told was too fine but used anyway. Mr. Grimshaw stressed the importance of the Association having final approval for all design, materials, etc. First and foremost, in this Planning and design stage, why the fill is washing out, the impending sinkhole and electrical safety need to be addressed. Mr. Grimes informed all present that he would be meeting with the First Selectman soon to share this information and set up a meeting with the engineer.

In talking further on plans , members mentioned a coffer dam and steel sheathing around the dock for added protection from storm surges.

Pawcatuck Watershed - Tabled

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mr. Bomster made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Hayes-Houlihan seconded the motion and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

