

Mystic Harbor Management Commission  
November 1, 2007

The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, November 1, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Commission members present were: Chairman David Carreau, Louis Allyn, Richard Lotz, John Washburn Jr. Oliver Wilson, and Fred Allard. Harbormaster Paul Watts, Chairman Paul Bates of the Groton Harbor Management Commission and Commodore Fred Deichmann of the Mason Island Yacht Club were also present.

**Call to Order**

Chairman Carreau called the meeting the order at 7:30 p.m.

The Commission said the pledge of allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Carreau noted that the ordinance number for “Transient Dinghy Dock Enforcement “is H081390. Mr. Wilson made a motion to accept the October 4, 2007 minutes as amended. Harbormaster Watts seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Commission.

**Reckless Boat Operation**

Harbormaster Watts noted that the current Boaters Guide is ambiguous regarding the speed of boaters within the Mystic River Basin. A motion was made that the Mystic Harbor Management Commission will support the efforts of Harbormaster Watts to begin the process of modifying the Connecticut General Statues (Section 15-16) regarding the speed limit in the Mystic River. Paul Bates of Groton distributed a letter of complaint from a boat owner in support.

**Remote Float – MI Yacht Club**

Commodore Fred Deichmann of the Mason Island Yacht Club made the request to have the Mystic Harbor Management Commission approve there request to have two 16x24 free-floating platforms for the use of the 420 day sailing program per the DEP 2006020667-DL application. As a precedence based on past judgments, the Mystic Harbor Management Commission has prohibited permanent isolated floats in the Mystic River. It was recommended that the Masons Island Yacht Club consider attaching the floats to an existing new dock.

A motion was made to have Chairman Carreau write a letter to the DEP stating the discussions and recommendations to the DEP. The motion was made by Mr. Allard, seconded by Mr. Lotz and unanimously approved.

**Dredging of Channel**

Mr. Allyn is in communication with Senators Dodd and Lieberman, and Congressman Courtney relative to the funding making its way through the Washington circuit.

**Transient Dingy Dock**

Attorney Londregan rewrote Stonington ordinance H081390 to include all town water access areas. Chairman Carreau would like to remove the time element the signs posted on each dock. To address this constraint, Mr. Allard believed that more word changes are necessary and was given the rewrite for review and comment.

**Regular Meeting Schedule Form**

Mr. Allard signed the Regular Meeting Schedule form of the Town clerk, indicating the Mystic Harbor Commission will meet on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall.

**Connecticut Harbor Management Association**

Messrs. Allyn and Carreau will attend the annual meeting in New Haven on November 8, 2007

**Pump out boat**

Chairman Bates of the Groton Harbor Management Commission asked the Mystic Harbor Commission to revisit the arrangement between Groton and Stonington regarding the shared fees for the pump out boat.

**Jail House Point Transient Dock**

Commission members will rig the ramp and float for winter.

**Adjournment**

Chairman Carreau made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Mr. Lotz seconded the motion and it was so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

David Carreau, Chairman