

Mystic Harbor Management Commission
September 6, 2007

The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, September 6, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Commission members present were: Chairman David Carreau, Richard Lotz, Oliver Wilson and Lou Allyn. Harbormaster Paul Watts was also present.

Call to Order

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

The Commission said the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Lotz made a motion to accept the July 5, 2007 minutes. Mr. Allyn seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Commission.

Unauthorized Moorings – Derelict Boats

Harbormaster Watts sent letters to permitted mooring holders asking them to put identification numbers on their floats no later than August 31, 2007, for the purpose of distinguishing them from illegal moorings.

He noted that the condition of derelict boat CT 2553 AL 03 continues to deteriorate and that the engines have been removed. This information was transmitted to Susan Bailey. Harbormaster Watts supports scheduling a meeting of local harbormasters to discuss mutual interests and concerns.

Dredging of Federal Channel

Mr. Allyn had the opportunity to thank Rep. Courtney at a gathering for his assistance in restoring \$400,000.00 for testing and sampling to a legislative bill. Mr. Allyn will E-mail Rep. Courtney's office to obtain an update and hopefully expedite the bill to the Senate for passage.

Reckless Boat Operation

Harbormaster Watts contacted both Groton and Stonington Police during August for assistance with speeding violations. Some occurrences were met with belligerence and required assistance.

Shellfish Commission Application

Mr. Allyn made a motion that the Commission reviewed without comment the application from the Shellfish Commission dated July 7, 2007 to conduct oyster aquaculture. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Transient Dinghy Dock Enforcement

By letter of August 8, 2007, First Selectman Brown requested Town Attorney Londregan amend ordinance HO1390 to include all Town public access areas to allow better enforcement.

T-2 Anchorage Buoy Entanglement

A boater became entangled with the NW corner buoy and cut it loose. The buoy was retrieved. During the winter, new chain counter weight and mushroom will be attached for next season.

DEP General Permits

Commission members were provided with a copy of the Notice of Intent to Issue General Permits. This notice can be referred when questions arise about the authority over water use.

Connecticut Harbor Management Association

Mr. Allyn said that the annual meeting will be held this fall and the banquet next April. He is participating in an effort to inform the public when DEP applications and notices are filed.

DEP Application of John and Julia Parry

Mr. Wilson made a motion that the Commission reviewed without comment the application for a dock on Money Point Road. Mr. Lotz seconded the motion and it was approved. Mr. Allyn abstained.

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A flier was obtained from the Town of Stonington – Stormwater Task Force. From our Minutes of February 5, 2004 and March 4, 2004, it is understood that this is a nonprofit organization to help reduce nitrogen overloading in Long Island Sound Estuaries.

Adjournment

Mr. Allyn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and it was so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

David Carreau, Chairman