

Mystic Harbor Management Commission
October 2, 2008

The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, October 2, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Commission members present were: Chairman David Carreau, Fred Allard, Lou Allyn, Richard Lotz, John Lee and Oliver Wilson. Harbormaster Paul Watts, Jeff Anderson, and Peter Fitzwilliam were 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. Willson made a motion to accept the September 4, 2008 minutes. Mr. Allyn seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Commission.

Harbor Master Report:

Derelict Docks

Harbormaster Watts reported that he had removed a ramp and raft from River Bend Road, and a sunken inflatable boat. Masons Island Marina hauled them, and the town of Stonington provided a truck and proper disposal at the land fill. Mr. Lotz made a motion to pay the \$181.25 invoice for the quick haul. Mr. Allyn seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Commission.

Harbormaster Expenses

Harbormaster Watts submitted invoices for the winterization of a motor, including fuel stabilizers. Mr. Wilson made a motion to pay the \$261.81 invoice. Mr. Allyn seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Commission.

Non-permitted Moorings

Harbormaster Watts reported he has sent a letter to the owner of the derelict boat near William's beach. The letter states that the owner needs to remove the boat or the police will be notified and the boat will be removed.

Unfinished Business:

Dredging of Channel – Turning Basin

Lou Allyn reported the Marina Affairs committee of the Chamber of Commerce notified him that the dredging samples are missing. He will work with the Army Corps of Engineers to locate the samples.

Reckless Boat Operation

Harbormaster Watts is moving the process along to change the Connecticut Statues so the boaters hand book may be changed to be more enforceable.

NO WAKE Buoys

The Stonington Police have received the letter from Chairman Carreau dated, September 23, 2008, regarding the missing NO WAKE buoy.

New Business:**DEP # 200801129-DL-McKay**

Mr. Allyn made a motion of review without comment the addition of a Ramp & Float. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved by the Commission.

Pump out Boat Donation

Mr. Allyn made a motion to make a \$1,650.00 donation to Coastal Environment Services, a non profit organization who now runs the pump out boat. Mr. Lotz seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved by the Commission.

Transient Dock tie up enforcement – September 5, 2008

A citizen made a complaint to the police regarding two boats needing to be moved from the transient dock off Jail House point. The procedure for enforcement and method of tying up were discussed.

DEP Dock Permit Process Meeting – September 25, 2008

Chairman Carreau attended a meeting regarding a new dock permit process presented by the DEP. It requires the applicant to fill out a form which includes all the preliminary data search effort. The applicant then contacts the harbor commission for comments and approval. The form is then sent to Hartford for DEP review and approval. It was stated that there could be interaction between the three parties. Comments from the audience were that the plan deadlines were too limiting. Also, Connecticut General Statute 22a-11n. "Harbor Management Commission" in paragraph (b) states that recommendations from a harbor commission shall be binding.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

David Carreau, Chairman