

Mystic Harbor Management Commission

January 5, 2012

Final

The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Commission members present were: Chairman David Carreau, Lou Allyn, John Washburn, Dick Lotz and Fred Allard. Harbormaster Paul Watts, Paul Bates, Kourtnie Fritscher, Mitch Waterman, Dominic Blanchet and Jeff Anderson 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. Allard made a motion to accept the December 1, 2011 minutes. Mr. Lotz seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Commission.

**Harbor Masters Report**

Chairman Carreau presented Harbor Master Watts with a letter of commendation for his efforts with the Mystic River Clean up this past fall. The commission then congratulated Mr. Watts.

Harbor master Watts is working with Mr. Allyn to prepare the mooring renewal applications for mailing. Included in the mailing will be the new brochure from CUSH and the write up concerning the East Fairway identified as agenda item 4e.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Dredging of Channel**

Mr. Allyn informed the commission that Section 116 of the Consolidated Appropriation Act of 2012 (PL 112-74) which was signed by the President on 30 December 2011 indicates that the closure of the New London and Cornfield Disposal Sites in Long Island Sound shall be extended for 5 additional years. That extends NLDS to 5 October 2016 and CSDS to 6 November 2018. This means that dredging material from the Mystic River will be able to be disposed of locally.

**Slow-No-Wake Zone**

Mr. Watts announced that the DEEP will be placing new signs on the Mystic River posting the new speed limit. The commission asked Mr. Watts to ask if they plan on posting signs near the Masons Island and Ram Island entry to the river. Groton Harbor Commission Chairman Paul Bates suggested we find out what language the DEEP will be using for their signs and recommended that the signage on the Noank Beacon be changed. The commission was in agreement that the sign should be changed to be compatible.

**DEEP Residential Dock Regulations**

The commission asked Mr. Allyn to obtain the status on their thinking on this subject. On September 25, 2009 the commission had sent a letter to Mr. Frances stating our concerns with the restrictions being imposed.

**Realignment of Federal Channel Markers**

This subject will be discussed at the chamber marine affairs meeting on January 17, 2012.

**Odyssey 27 – O'Day**

Please note that the reference to an Odyssey 27 in the December 1, 2011 minutes is actually an O-Day 27 named Carpe diem. A certified letter asking for the boat to be moved has been sent and received by its owner Scott Reed.

**New Business****CHMA Dues**

A motion was made by Mr. Lotz to pay the \$200 2012 CHMA fee. Mr. Allard seconds the motion and it was so moved.

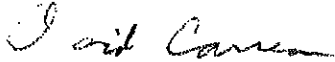
**COP for DEP-OLIS-APP-200 Mystic River Marina Floating Dock Modification**

The COP was presented to the commission. A motion was made by Mr. Allyn, that the commission does not object to the request and there are no inconsistencies with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan, Mr. Lotz seconded the motion. It was approved by the commission.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Allyn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Mr. Allard Seconded the motion and it was so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

  
David Carreau, Chairman