

Mystic Harbor Management Commission
September 5, 2013
Final

The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fourth District Voting Hall. Commission members present were: Chairman David Carreau, Lou Allyn, Jack Lee, Don Procko, Dick Lotz, and Fred Allard. Harbor Master Watts, Paul Bates, Patrick Flaherty and Jeff Anderson were also present.

Call to Order

Chairman Carreau called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. The Commission said the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Allard made a motion to accept the June 6, 2013 minutes. Mr. Procko seconded the motion and the Commission unanimously approved it.

Harbor Master Report

Harbor Master Watts reported that all money from mooring applications is in. There are 70 people on the waiting list. Lou Allyn reported that all but four people from Mason's Island have paid for their mooring permits. They will be notified that their morning permits will be relinquished.

Unfinished Business

Proposed Dredging of Mystic Harbor Fairway:

Chairman Carreau was invited to attend a presentation given by the five Marinas in Mystic Harbor (area north of Masons Island) to U.S. Congressman Joe Courtney in his Norwich Office. The request was for dredging the fairway which connects this body of water to the federal channel to the west. Funding and the designation of this fairway as a federal area were discussed. Also present was District Director Jenny Contois who handles dredging issues.

T-2 Marker Buoys (Transient Anchorage)

New markers have not yet been ordered. New markers will be needed for next season.

East Fairway

The next steps in the opening up the East Fairway to the Mystic River on the Stonington side were discussed. First, the position of the six marker buoys should be checked to the U.S. Coast Guard locations for the winter. This will provide reference to fairway obstructions. The proximity of Alfie's Rock to the red marker No. 4 (position "k" on the USCG permit) must be verified. Mr. Paul Bates provided GPS coordinates. Also, it is not known if the rock's depth is shallower than the fairways shallowest location. Second, remove abandoned moorings from the Fairway. Moorings that were accidentally permitted for 2013 will not be pulled until after December 31st when the permit expires. The data base must be cross checked for 2014 to insure that mooring locations are in compliance before issue. Moorings in fairways are not allowed in both our Management Plan and the CT General Statutes. Third, draft letters will be prepared in preparation for notification to mooring holders in the fairway stating that their permits for next year will not be renewed.

New Business

Coastal Site Plan – PZ1309CAM – McKay – Masons Is.

A Coastal site plan PZ1309CAM for McKay was presented to the Commission. Mr. Allyn made a motion, that the commission does not object to the request and there are no inconsistencies with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan, Mr. Procko seconded the motion. The commission approved it.

Dock Extension DEEP GP-15 Tailor/Toner-Masons Is

A DEEP general permit for a dock extension for Tailor/Toner was presented to the Commission. Mr. Lee made a motion, that the commission does not object to the request and there are no inconsistencies with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan, Mr. Allard seconded the motion. The commission approved it.

MHMC 2014 Meeting Schedule

The regular meetings of the Mystic Harbor Management Commission for 2014 will be held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm at the fourth district-voting hall.

Adjournment

Mr. Allyn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Mr. Allard seconded the motion and it was so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

David Carreau, Chairman

