



Stonington Harbor Management Commission

June 09, 2014

FINAL Minutes (C. Rose Acting secretary)



1. Call to order:

Chairman Spalding called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM at the Stonington Police Headquarters meeting room. Attending were Chairman Spalding, Commissioner: Diggs, Motherway, O'Neill, Mckinnon, Johnstone, Tacy, Rose, Harbormaster Donch and Assistant Harbormaster Estabrooks. Commissioner Smith did not attend.

2. Minutes:

The minutes of the May 12 were read. Mr. Tacy moved to accept them as read. Mr. Crites seconded and they were unanimously approved by all commissioners

3. Correspondence:

a. In jurisdiction

Spike Lobdell of NESS came to the meeting to ask for approval for a change to the design approved at the March 10. Mr. Lobdell handed out images showing the addition of a ramp for persons in wheel chairs would be added to the existing design. Mr. Lobdell also mentioned the construction and placement of the previously approved hoist on the dock would be occurring the week of the meeting. A motion to accept the changes to the plan was moved by Mr. Crites and seconded by Mr. Tacy. The motion was unanimously approved with Mr. Rose abstaining from voting due to his employment at NESS.

Also a review of an application for repair of the sea wall and addition of a ladder at 90 Water Street was discussed. It was determined that no approval was needed due to the lack of impact from such construction and addition.

b. Out of jurisdiction

The McDonald property at 348 North Main Street sent a notice of placing a new float being tied to the pilings located at that property. Mr. McKinnon moved to accept the notice and Mr. O'Neill seconded. The notice was unanimously approved.

4. Treasurer's report

Mr. Crites distributed the May treasurers report for review. Receipts for 17 more moorings were received bringing the total to 221. Two new bills were also recorded one for the hydrographic survey presented at the May 12 meeting coming to \$9k. The second Bill came from Dodson's Boatyard for \$625 which was divided into \$420 for buoys commissioned, and \$120 for the moving of a mooring. Mr. Tacy added that no bill for the news letter had been received. Mr. Crites continued that he was expecting 4 more bills to come with the next report. The bills were \$71 for the P.O. box, \$727 for work done at PMW, \$1292 for buoys from Gilman buoy company,

and \$1000 for printing from Agjo. Total cash on hand for the month of May was \$21.5k at the time of the report. A motion to accept the report as given was proposed by Mr. Motherway and seconded by Mr. Tacy. The motion was unanimously approved. The treasurer's report is attached.

5. Harbormaster's Report

Harbormaster Donch read his report, see attached report. Mooring survey assignments were given to all of the commissioners for the summer. During the report Mr. Diggs asked if he could see the waitlist to see what type of boats are looking for moorings and Harbormaster Donch replied that the vessel information on the waitlist was dated to their application so may not be current.. Harbormaster Donch replied that only the top 30 individuals on the wait list are likely to get a mooring.

It was also noted by Chairman Spalding that 32 of the 600 newsletters sent out were returned. The returned letters were given back to Harbormaster Donch. Mr. Crites moved to accept the Harbormasters report. Mr. Johnstone seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. Old business

- a. PCD Plan. The commission discussed the 2014 Plan of Conservation and Development. Specific comments were discussed as well as general comments regarding the role of planning relative to HMC in Stonington. The commission determined to draft a letter to the Town Planner with our comments per the request for comments. Mr. O'Neill said he would forward the collected comments and Mr. Tacy volunteered to draft a letter.
- b. Town Pier. Mr. Tacy stated that the 30K grant for the plan for the Wharf is in the State's FY2014 budget which begins July 1. The money will go towards the plan and design of the wharf during this summer. SHMC's task force is currently reviewing the plan as it develops and public comment will come from Senator Maynard's office.
- c. Hydro survey results. 2 CDs were received from Nancy Byrne and are available to the commissioners. Chairman Spalding reviewed the files and stated that he believed that they would be helpful in regriding the existing mooring field.
- d. Tracking projects COP. The chairman had not updated the COP spreadsheet with the new projects as yet.

7. New business

- a. Changes to the current Harbor management plan. Any changes to the plan will be discussed at the August 11 meeting.
 - i. Discussed wording of special purpose mooring procedure. Several spoke in favor of the existing wording to keep definition of public access moorings flexible.
 - ii. Changes will likely need to be made when regriding is finished.
- b. Chairman Spalding cannot attend July 14 meeting. Mr. Diggs will chair the July 14 meeting.

8. Public comment

No public comment was received.

9. Adjournment

Mr. Motherway moved to adjourn. Mr. Tacy seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:06PM.

Approved:  Date: 7/14/2014
Jesse S. Diggs, Vice Chairman SHMC

Harbormaster Report

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New Mooring permits issued: 4 Moorings being given up (this month): 1
New Mooring assignments offered: 2
Deposits to SHMC account since last report: \$ 500 2014 YTD = \$25,050

Mooring Renewals:
234 Processed to date
9 Non received (3 expected to be revoked)
5 Given up
18 Pending (missing paperwork)

As of today, derelict vessel "Fiddlers Green" has not been disposed of yet by Dodson Boatyard. Bob Snyder said it will be done when spring launching slows down.

Clearview dock "hoop" repair has been completed.

Scott and Melanie Degler's vessel which was reported to have transom damage from a "Transient Anchorage" buoy last season was buffed out by the owner. "Scott was able to remove most of the damage the anchorage buoy caused to our transom last season and we are comfortable with closing this issue with the commission."

2014 Mooring survey assignments:

<u>Owner</u>		<u>Row</u>	<u>Column</u>
S. Crites	41-48	M-Z	
E. Smith	31-40	M-Z	
B. MacKinnon		21-30	M-Z
P. O'Neill		15-20	M-Z
D. Motherway		7-14	M-Z
R. Johnstone		1-6	M-Z
C. Rose	39-45	A-L	
P. Tacy	32-38	A-L	
J. Diggs	15-24	A-H	

Robert G

In water. No problems / concerns.

Respectfully Submitted

Eric Donch
Stonington Harbormaster

Treasurer's report

Report Date: 6/01/2014							
	Plan	Mar	Apr	May	YTD		Probable
Funds Generated:							
Balance Brought Forward:	8,704.04	7,920.46	7,010.96	30,190.96	8,704.04		8,704.04
Paid Moorings: Com/Pvt/Pub:	128/259/4		128/204/4	0/17/0	128/221/4		128/259/4
Moorling Fees:	25,830.00		23,080.00	850	23,930.00		25,830.00
Miscellaneous Income:	20	5	100		105		20
Total Generated Funds:	34,554.04	7,925.46	30,190.96	31,040.96	32,739.04		34,554.04
Operating Expense:							
Moorling Admin:							
Mallings:	500				105.89		500
Telephone:	450				0		450
Computer Sftwr:	200				0		200
Miscellaneous:	100	914.5			914.5		1,000.00
Sub-Total:	1,250.00	914.5	0	0	1,020.39		2,150.00
Boat:							
Fuel & Oil:	300				0		300
Commissioning:	1,000.00				305		1,000.00
Storage:	750				0		750
Maintenance/Repairs:	750				0		750
Equipment:	250				0		250
Sub-Total:	3,050.00	0	0	0	305		3,050.00
Harbor Maintenance:							
Buoy: Commission/Haul/Store:	2,000.00			420	661.02		2,000.00
Misc Service/Locker Storage:	500				0		500
Signage:	100				0		100
Sub-Total:	2,600.00	0	0	420	661.02		2,600.00
Dock/Pumpout:							
Dock Eqpt./Maintenance:	500				0		500
Pumpout Eqpt./Maintenance:	0				0		0
Miscellaneous:	100				0		100
Sub-Total:	600	0	0	0	0		600
Administrative:							
Supplies:	0				0		0
Newsletter:	750				0		1,000.00
Professional Services:	0				0		0
Sub-Total:	750	0	0	0	0		1,000.00
Total Operating Expense:	8,250.00	914.5	0	420	1,986.41		9,400.00
Approved Projects/Capital							
New Boat Reserve:	5,000.00				0		5,000.00
New SNW Buoys (2):	2,000.00				0		2,000.00
Moorling Field Grid Allignment:	1,000.00			105	105		1,000.00
Town Pier/Breakwater Analysis:	500				131.67		500
Pumpout Pler ExtDesign/Permit:	2,000.00				0		2,000.00
Hydrographic Survey Project:	10,000.00			9,000.00	9,000.00		9,000.00
Sonar - Robert G	1,500.00				0		1,500.00
Radar - Robert G	1,500.00				0		1,500.00
Total Project/Capital	23,500.00	0	0	9,105.00	9,236.67		22,500.00
Total Designated Funds	31,750.00	914.5	0	9,525.00	11,223.08		31,900.00
Undesignated Funds:	2,804.04	7,010.96	30,190.96	21,515.96	21,515.96		2,654.04
Notes:							
Petty Cash Advance - 300.00	June Inc:	PO Box - 71 Ilman - 1,292					
Harbor Boat Reserve - 640.00		PMW - 727 Agio - ~1,000					