

May 12, 2014

The Waterfront Commission held a regular meeting on this date at the Town Dock meeting room, Stonington, CT. Members present were Sandy Grimes, Chairman; Randy Minor; Bill Bomster and Mike Grimshaw.

Chairman Grimes called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Bomster made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read. The balance in the WFC account is \$246.00. Mr. Grimshaw seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

Previous minutes

Mr. Grimshaw made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 10 and March 31 meetings as presented. Mr. Bomster seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

Old Business

Dock Area housekeeping/maintenance – Mr. Grimshaw presented a \$2800.00 estimate from Beacon Home Improvement LLC to repair the damaged corner at the southwest side of the building. Mr. Grimshaw added that this portion of the work would be reimbursed, as it was damage caused by a fishing vessel. The estimate also included replacing the ridge caps where leaking.

Mr. Grimshaw also presented a \$5332.34 invoice from Morris & Associates to replace an original part from the ice machine.

Mr. Minor made a motion to approve taking \$8132.34 from the Wharfage account to cover these Town dock expenses. Mr. Bomster seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

Donahue Park - All members agreed it looks good.

Commission vacancy – Alene Whipple has been appointed by the Board of Selectmen to fill the commission vacancy. The term expires June 30, 2015.

New Business

Mr. Grimshaw added that he is working on the installation of the float dock. He hopes to have it finalized within the next few weeks.

Mr. Bomster stated that there are issues with people using the dog park area. Parking has become a serious issue. Trucks have a difficult in getting to the dock as cars are

sometimes in the way. Mr. Grimes replied that he would speak to the Director of Public Works are some traffic lanes.

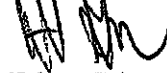
Stonington Small Boat Association

Ed Dear and Tucker Bragdon, President were present at the request of the Commission to provide the 2014 membership list , 2013 financial report, current SSBA rules and proof of insurance. Members discussed turnover rate and the extensive repairs done at SSBA site. Mr. Bragdon provided photos and asked the Commission's approval to extend the railing about eight feet. There is soil erosion and he would like to block access to avoid injury. Mr. Dear added that the fence also needs to be repainted. Mr. Minor made a motion to approve the 8-foot extension of the railing. Mr. Bomster seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

Mr. Grimes asked about groups of kayakers (Kayak Adventures, Tuesday Night Kayakers) that use the SSBA site. He stated that members pay a fee and these groups are not all members. What if there was an accident? Mr. Bragdon stated that they are aware of this and feel they have adequate insurance to cover any problems. A discussion ensued as to whether the site was considered Public Access. Mr. Bragdon stated that a Town meeting was held back in 1975 or '76 when the SSBA Act was first created. It was agreed that this should be looked into.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mr. Minor made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bomster seconded the motion and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ethan Grimes
Vice Chair/Treasurer

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