

April 5, 2010

The Waterfront Commission held a special meeting on this date at the Town Dock meeting room. Members present were Sandy Grimes, Chairman; Ethan Grimes, Secretary/Treasurer; Bill Robinson, Arthur Medeiros and Stephanie Hayes Houlihan.

Randy Minor and Mike Grimshaw were absent.

Chairman Grimes called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

New Business

Stonington Small Boat Association – Mr. Ed Dear and Tom Adams were present. They provided for the members the requested membership list, financial statements, current copy of rules and regulations, which included a new rule asking members to remove their kayaks out of season and proof of insurance. Members discussed again with the members a request for a donation to the SNEFLA. No figures were discussed.

Cardi Corporation – Alfred Nazareth, Project Manager attended the meeting to update the members. He plans to bring a 25 ft. tug to the dock and plans to load materials onto a barge about 1 to 2 times a week. This will primarily be steel sheeting, rebar, steel casing pipe, etc. There is a hydraulic crane on the barge that will assist with the loading. He informed the members that he has met with the SNEFLA and discussed their plans. He provided for the members a copy of a letter assuming liability and guaranteeing the integrity of the existing facilities. Tim White is the job foreman. He added that he would provide the members with a copy of the bathometric study. Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve Cardi Corp. moving forward with their plans to use the South Dock and work with SNEFLA with regard to compensation.

Harbor Sailing classes – Members agreed they have concerns but ultimately this is something the dockmaster should be keeping an eye on.

Previous minutes

Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the minutes of the March meeting as presented. Mr. Medeiros seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Robinson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read. The balance in the WFC account is \$512.93. Mr. Medeiros seconded and voting was unanimous.

Old Business

Dock Area housekeeping – Mr. Medeiros reported that all is ongoing.

Maintenance items –Nothing to report.

Donahue Park – Mr. Sullivan, Town Engineer had provided for the members a schedule for the Donahue Park restoration project. He mentioned that the River Glow event had been postponed to August. April 19th they will advertise for bids with a proposed bid opening scheduled for May 6th.

Correspondence

Stonington Village Improvement Association (SVIA) submitted a written request for permission to use the Town Dock field on Saturday mornings from May 1st for the Farmer's Market. They have also requested allowance to continue to sell through November. Mr. E. Grimes made a motion to approve the SVIA use of the Town Dock field May through November. Mrs. Hayes-Houlihan seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

South Pier restoration – Project updates - George Sylvestre, Dir. Of Admin. Services had provided for the members with a Status report for February -2010. Grant requests were submitted to Congressman and Senators.

Request for use of Public Access deck – Daniel Sprouse, a Stonington Borough resident and student at NYU would like permission to shoot a scene for a film for his senior thesis at the Town Pier. WFC members felt it important to notify the SNEFLA members. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to approve use of the Public Access deck. Mr. E. Grimes seconded and voting was unanimous.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mr. Robinson made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Hayes-Houlihan seconded the motion and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Signed,


Ethan Grimes
Vice Chair/Treasurer