



# TOWN OF WINTHROP

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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### MINUTES OF MEETING 7:30 P. M. – December 11, 2013 Joseph Harvey Hearing Room Winthrop Town Hall

**Members in Attendance:** Mary Kelley, Chairperson, Stephen Machcinski, Norman Hyett, Karen Winn, Wayne George, Michael Rinaldi.

Also in attendance, Attorney John Goldrosen representing the Town of Winthrop.

**Massachusetts Oyster Project:** Representatives – Richard Lawton, Winthrop Harbor Management; Andrew Jay, Mass. Oyster Project; Professor Anna Marie Frankic, UMass Boston.

The project was thoroughly explained to all in attendance. Many questions were asked by the Commission and answered by the representatives. The Commission suggested that they go to the Town Council and then back to the Commission to file an application to conduct this work.

All information on file and posted on the Town Web Site as requested.

**Paul Ferrara & Sons, General Contractors, Winthrop, MA.** – Meeting to discuss proposed driveway at 595 Shirley Street.

Mr. Ferrara was asked many questions regarding this project: How will work be conducted, how far away from resource area is the project. Mr. Ferrara showed the Commission on a Plot Plan where the driveway will be placed. Because this project is very close the resource area, Mr. Ferrara was asked to submit an Abbreviated Notice of Intent.

**CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING** held November 13, 2013– Atlantis Marina Docks, LLC, 550 Pleasant Street – Notice of Intent for the proposed Marina Expansion. Representative, Jamy Buchanan Madeja, Buchanan & Associates, Boston, MA and Richard Salvo, Engineering Alliance, Saugus, MA.

New project revisions were submitted at this meeting for the project. Mr. Salvo explained the revisions with many questions asked by the Commission. The representatives stated that everything has been done except finger floats which will be done in the spring.

Abutters in audience quite upset that all this work is being conducted under an Emergency Certificate issued by the Dept. of Environmental Protection stating that there was no emergency in Winthrop, this was an issue at the original Marina in Charlestown.

Also, abutters stating, no evacuation plans submitted; comments made about pump-out contract not feasible and the Commission should require a better feasible contract. Several boats were spurting water into the resource area.

The Board of Trustees for Atlantis Marina read a statement into the record (on file).

John Vitagliano, representing the Belle Isle Bridge expressed his concerned if any boats get loose, and damage new bridge.

Members of the audience made many more comments, when the Commission asked that comments be submitted in writing to the Commission. The Commission also reminded the audience that there will be a public hearing held at Town Hall by the Dept. of Environmental Protection regarding the Chapter 91 license for Atlantis Marina on December 16, 2013 at the Winthrop Town Hall.

Attorney Madeja suggested that any concerns the Commission might have could be listed in the Special Conditions for the Order of Conditions (decision).

Meeting recorded on cassette tape and video taped by Winthrop Community Access Television (WCAT).

**MOTION** to close hearing, Norman Hyett; 2<sup>nd</sup> the Motion, Michael Rinaldi; **UNANIMOUS VOTE**.

**MINUTES OF MEETING** – **MOTION** to approve November 13, 2013 Minutes of Meeting, Mary Kelley; 2<sup>nd</sup> the Motion, Norman Hyett; **UNANIMOUS VOTE**.

**General Business:**

1. Discuss complaint received by DEP (Dept. of Environmental Protection) from a person reporting a possible violation of the Wetland Protection Laws by Winthrop DPW & the Winthrop Golf Club. The Commission asked that an e-mail be sent to both parties to requesting reports be submitted. A Commissioner will conduct a site visit and take pictures.
2. Discuss Current/Old correspondence - None

**MEETING ADJOURNED 9:45 P.M.**