



TOWN OF EAST LYME
EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION

Chairman
Donald F. Landers Jr.

Treasurer
Stephen Dinsmore

Secretary
Frank Skewes

REGULAR MEETING
Minutes of Tuesday, October 20, 2009
7:30 PM, East Lyme Town Hall
108 Pennsylvania Ave.,
Niantic, CT 06357

Present: Chairman Don Landers, Secretary Frank Skewes, Treasurer Steven Dinsmore, Marvin Schutt, Barbara Johnston,

Absent: Treasurer Steven Dinsmore, Greg Murin, and Bill Mountzoures

Also Present: Harbor Master Joe Hitchery and Deputy Harbor Master Marc Berger,

1 Call to Order

Chairman Landers opened the Regular Meeting at 7:30 PM.

2 Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 15, 2009

MOTION 1: A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 15, 2009 was made by Ms. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Schutt. Motion carried (4-0)

3 Public Delegations

Peter Caron stated that he was attending the meeting to get information on moorings in Giants Neck, and what the mooring policies and the responsibilities of mooring owners were.

4 Old Business

A. Mooring Permits

Mr. Skewes reported that approximately 188 applications for regular moorings been approved and permits had been issued or were in the process of being issued.

B. Harbor Management Plan – Reports from Sub-Committees

Chairman Landers requested that members of the Commission remember to review the sections of Chapter 1 for review of comment incorporation and other sections for initial update review.

5 New Business

A. Correspondence

1. Notification of the approval of the Hopkins dock application was received
2. The water quality Certificate for the Amtrak bridge work was received.

3. A DEP permit consultation signoff sheet with preliminary plans for proposed activity by Pat Albergo at 6 Hill Rd, East Lyme was received.

MOTION 2: A motion to approve the permit application with preliminary plans was made by Ms. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Schutt. Motion carried (4-0)

B. Abandoned or Unpermitted Mooring Removal Policies

This item was tabled until next month's meeting when more of the Commission members will be available to discuss it.

6 Reports

A. Shellfish Warden

No Report.

B. Harbor Master

Joe Hitchery reported that he had the invoice for the mooring non-compliance notification decals. He said that he had removed the mooring stakes at the end of Smith Street with the help of Chairman Landers. He reported on an abandoned boat at the end of Grand St. He reported that he is in the process of redesigning all of the mooring forms. He reported that he had a meeting scheduled with the Waterford Harbor Master to discuss marine patrols. He reported that two engine blocks previously used as moorings had been moved to the end of the Bishops Bay fire dock for removal.

C. Treasurer

No Report.

D. Ex-Officio

No Report.

7 Comments from other Commission Members

Mr. Schutt expressed hope that the Commission would consider pulling non-permitted mooring as soon as possible in order to provide more mooring space.

Ms. Johnston asked Mr. Hitchery to talk to the Waterford Harbor Master about commercial moorings. She also pointed out that Ledge Light was not always providing telephone notification of Niantic River closings.

8 Adjournment

MOTION 3: Mr. Schutt moved the meeting be adjourned at 9:10 PM, seconded by Mr. Skewes. Motion carried (4-0).

Respectfully Submitted,
Frank Skewes, Secretary