

**TOWN OF EAST LYME**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**DECEMBER 19, 2012**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Paul Formica, First Selectman  
Mark Nickerson  
Holly Cheeseman  
Kevin Seery  
Rose Ann Hardy (Entered at 7:45 p.m.)**

FILED IN EAST LYME  
Dec 24, 2012 AT 8:00 AM

*Lesley A. Blais*  
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

**MEMBER ABSENT:**

**Rob Wilson**

**Also Present:**

**Town Attorney, Ed O'Connell**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

**1. A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

Mr. Formica had the East Lyme Junior Youth Football Team lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION: EL JUNIOR YOUTH FOOTBALL CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS**

Mr. Formica presented the Coaches and Players of the East Lyme Junior Youth Football Team with a Proclamation congratulating the members on their conference championship win.

**B. ADDITIONAL AGENDA & CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

There were no additional agenda or Consent Calendar items.

**C. DELEGATIONS**

Joe Mingo of Boston Post Road stated the Black Hawk fishermen are required to take care of the dock in accordance with their lease with the Town. The amount they are paying for that lease is very little. They also do not allow the public to have access to that dock and it is Town owned. He does not understand why the Town is responsible for maintaining a commercial

entity. If they want it fixed they should do it. With regards to the potential noise ordinance, he stated this is an ordinance the Town does not need. He also stated there are illegal businesses being operated in Town.

Robert Scheel of 31 Upper Walnut Hill Road spoke on behalf of the potential noise ordinance and submitted a statement with pictures (Attached as Exhibit A). He feels the people of East Lyme deserve a Noise Ordinance. He is looking for relief, and he urges the Board of Selectmen to pass the ordinance to make lives better.

#### **D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, MEETING OF DECEMBER 5, 2012**

**Motion (1) Mr. Nickerson moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2012.**

**Seconded by Mr. Seery.**

Mr. Formica stated on Page 2, Paragraph two, the last sentence should read. "He added that the solar farm's panels would not be seen from either road and in lieu of a residential development on this land, they were proposing to place 17,000 modules which would generate electricity equivalent to the power of approximately 14% of East Lyme's homes."

**Motion Passed 4-0-1 (Ms. Cheeseman Abstained)**

#### **E. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Motion (2) Mr. Nickerson moved to approve the Consent Calendar for the meeting of December 19, 2012.**

**Seconded by Mr. Seery.**

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

### **2. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. LEDGE LIGHT UPDATE / BRIEFING**

Mr. Salsbury of the Ledge Light Health District provided updates to the Board of what Ledge Light has been involved in since his last update to them. He discussed bacterial well contamination in Ledyard. Tick-borne diseases within the Health District. They have also been involved with Lawrence and Memorial Hospital's health needs assessment in an effort to determine where resources should go. They have been working on a new website and logo. They also have been conducting drive thru flu shot clinics. This helps them to plan for possible mass immunizations.

## **B. DISCUSSION: DOCKS/STORM DAMAGE**

Mr. Formica stated the lease does require the tenant to perform maintenance on the building and the dock, but they are town owned. The original intent of this lease was to honor the environment of fishing in our community. Money was not the object of this lease. Since that time we have added handicapped access, a sport fishing dock, sidewalks, picnic tables. The expiration of the lease coincides somewhat with the Amtrak work being finished. The lease ends on December 31, 2012. FEMA has inspected the dock as to any storm damage. The insurance adjuster will be visiting the location. They have applied for a grant to remove the building and put a new building with a bathroom and storage for a new beachcomber. They asked Amtrak to keep pieces of the old bridge and a Town Resident will be making a statue with those pieces.

A letter from Captain Greg Dubrule of the Black Hawk along with pictures is attached as Exhibit B.

There was discussion of the building and dock being in rough shape and clearly needing to be repaired, and the tenants being responsible for the maintenance. The area has been blocked off to the public.

## **C. DISCUSSION: POTENTIAL NOISE ORDINANCE**

**This item was moved up on the Agenda.**

Mr. Formica stated this is a problem in Mr. Scheel's neighborhood. If they decide to implement this they would have to work on the language, and have a Public Hearing.

Mr. Seery has dealt with enforcement of this type of issue. He understands what Mr. Mingo stated, but this would give the police the ability to take action.

Mr. Formica learned that Waterford does have this type of ordinance. They have one officer trained in using the meter. That costs approximately \$1500.00 and has a calibration fee of \$300. The Waterford Police Chief is of the opinion that it does help to resolve large noise issues.

Mr. Nickerson stated there is a compelling argument for enacting this ordinance. He was not in favor of the noise ordinance prior to hearing this. He is very frustrated by the lack of common courtesy. It is sad that it has to get to this level. This could be a tool for law enforcement when people can't be neighborly.

Ms. Cheeseman shared the dislike for adding an ordinance, but it does seem that some of these activities were illegal. She would like to see the final language. Her concern is that it would be used as a way to report a disliked neighbor. She would like to hear more from Waterford.

Ms. Hardy stated previous boards have considered this type of ordinance. Last time the decibel meter was more costly for an accurate one. She would like to hear about the practicality of using the meter.

There was discussion of variances, and who would administer those variances. There was also discussion of the penalty, and if it is enough for people to respond to the ordinance.

Mr. Formica stated they will keep moving this forward and it will be on the Agenda for January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Ms. Hardy stated they did a good job putting this together. She asked that they contact CCM and see how many towns have a noise ordinance.

Attorney O'Connell presented the Board with a list from DEEP of towns that do have Noise Regulations (Attached as Exhibit C).

Mr. Scheel presented them with a short video clip from the internet that he found of his neighbors.

#### **D. DISCUSSION: BUDGET PROCEDURE AND SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

Mr. Formica stated they can put off scheduling the meetings until the next meeting.

#### **E. APPOINTMENTS:**

##### **TOWN COUNSEL**

**Motion (3) Ms. Cheeseman moved to appoint Edward B. O'Connell, 6 Lantern Lane as Town Counsel through January 8, 2015.**

**Seconded by Ms. Hardy.**

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

##### **NIANTIC RIVER WATERSHED**

**Motion (4) Mr. Nickerson moved to appoint Marvin Schutt, 77 Oswegatchie Hills Road to the Niantic River Watershed Board through January 8, 2014.**

**Seconded by Ms. Hardy.**

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**SMITH HARRIS COMMISSION**

**Motion (5) Mr. Nickerson moved to appoint Gary Lakowsky, 12 Methodist Street to the Smith-Harris House Commission through January 8, 2014.**

**Seconded by Mr. Seery.**

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**Motion (6) Mr. Nickerson moved to appoint Richard MacDonald, 23 Hopkins Drive to the Smith-Harris House Commission through January 8, 2014.**

**Seconded by Mr. Seery.**

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**Motion (7) Mr. Nickerson moved to appoint Margaret Prokop, 52 Lovers Lane to the Smith-Harris House Commission through January 8, 2014.**

**Seconded by Mr. Seery.**

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE**

**Motion (8) Mr. Nickerson moved to appoint John Bonelli, 12 South Trail to the Town Building Committee through January 8, 2014.**

**Seconded by Mr. Seery.**

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**TVCCA**

**Motion (9) Mr. Nickerson moved to appoint Steve Kelley, 8 Joval Street to the Thames Valley Council for Community Action through January 8, 2014.**

**Seconded by Mr. Seery.**

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

### **3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **A. DISCUSSION: SCCOG'S POSSIBLE FORMATION OF A REGIONAL ETHICS COMMISSION**

Ms. Cheeseman felt it is premature to have an in depth conversation on this.

Mr. Seery agreed with Ms. Cheeseman.

Ms. Hardy stated they have discussed this many times in the past, but not regionally.

Attorney O'Connell felt they were correct in seeing if there is a change in legislation prior to discussing this in depth.

### **4. COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no communications.

### **5. INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

#### **A. EX-OFFICIO**

Mr. Seery attended the Harbor Management meeting. They moved their budget forward. Don Landers stepped down as Chairman last night. He will stay on as Treasurer. Mr. Seery stated he is very impressed with Mr. Landers, and he has put a large amount of time and effort into that Commission.

Mr. Nickerson stated he was appointed as Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee of the Eastern CT Chamber of Commerce. They support military relations, and every month they honor a service person of the month.

Ms. Hardy attended the Zoning meeting and they re-elected officers. Mr. Salerno is still the Chairman, and Mr. Walker is still the Secretary. Landmark was discussed, and there is revitalized interest in the Gateway Project.

Ms. Cheeseman did not have an ex-officio report, but she did thank the Board for their support following the death of her husband.

#### **B. FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT**

Mr. Formica stated he attended an open community forum on school security tonight.

He attended the Council of Governments meeting this morning.

There is a candlelight vigil at McCooks being organized by several youths in town on December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Proceeds from that event will go to a Youth Organization in Newtown.

He is meeting with Amtrak tomorrow to review the Boardwalk. Joe Courtney already has walked it, and he is hoping with Mr. Courtney's participation they can get that done.

There is new signage in the meeting room, and Mr. Formica thanked John Wilson for making those signs.

He met with the East Lyme Public Trust on the state of the Boardwalk.

Water and Sewer met and rendered a decision on Oswegatchie Hills.

He attended a Nautilus reception at the Sub Base.

Gateway wants to proceed with access from Dean Road.

He has met with FEMA on a number of issues.

He attended a retirement party for Warden Goss of York Correctional Facility. This Friday he will be meeting with the new warden.

He attended Saturday's production of the Nutcracker by the Eastern Connecticut Ballet, and that was terrific.

He thanked all of the volunteers at the Light Parade. There is talk of moving the Light Parade to Saturday night for next year. The fireworks were sponsored by Dominion.

He also attended an Eagle Scout ceremony and it was great to see that, that is not an easy thing to achieve.

## **6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

## **7. SELECTMEN'S RESPONSE**

There was no Selectmen's Response.

**Motion (10) Mr. Nickerson moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.**

**Seconded by Ms. Hardy.**

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen Miller Galbo". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

**Karen Miller Galbo**

# Exhibit A

## **Statement of Robert G. Scheel, 31 Upper Walnut Hill Road, East Lyme to the First Lyme Board of Selectmen, Wednesday, December 17, 2012, Re: Draft EL Noise Ordinance**

The purpose of this statement is to support enactment of an East Lyme Noise Ordinance. Bob and Anne Scheel have lived at 31 Upper Walnut Hill Road for almost 16 years. Our property consists of approximately 18 acres with a home and a barn. Road frontage is approximately 250 feet and the property extends approximately 1100 feet deep as it widens at the back. In 2008, our neighbor immediately to the North, Stephen Slavtcheff, passed away and his land was sold by his heirs. This property consists of two parcels. One parcel, a two acre home site, consists of a small A-frame home and a Quonset Hut that Mr. Slavtcheff used for storing his automobile and farming equipment. The A-frame home is located approximately 230 feet from our house. The remaining parcel consists of approximately 73 acres and includes a utility easement (High Tension Wires), the head-lands of Cranberry Creek, extensive wetlands and uplands.

The buyer has allowed his daughter and boyfriend (now husband) to live in the A-frame house and utilize the Quonset Hut. After the change of ownership, extensive changes in use of the property took place as follows:

- a. Mr. Slavtcheff's large vegetable gardens were dismantled to facilitate construction of a Moto-Cross Track. These gardens were located approximately 20 feet from my property line and 100 feet from my home.
- b. The Quonset Hut was used to store ATVs, motorcycles, Off-Road "Mules" and other recreational vehicles. It is also used to repair and test race cars used at local race tracks.
- c. The property was used to host friends who brought ATVs and other recreational vehicles to the property. The group called themselves "The Pure Bred Rednecks" and according to Facebook posts consists of over 80 members.
- d. Automatic weapons, Assault Rifles and semi-automatic pistols have been fired near my home.
- e. Wetlands adjacent to my property and feeding Cranberry Creek were damaged. A road was cut onto my property and across Cranberry Creek to facilitate trespassing
- f. The Quonset Hut was defaced with Graffiti regarding the "Pure Bred Rednecks"
- g. The property was used to stage ATV riding on nearby State Forest Lands.
- h. The property was used to facilitate the sale of narcotics.

These activities have been documented by members of "The Pure Bred Rednecks" and posted on line. The can be viewed by going to You-Tube and searching for "SuperDom666", "MegaDfox" or "dred819" or by going to Google and searching for the same identifier. In September 2010 the A-Frame home was raided by the ELPD, the State Police Swat Team and ATF. Arrests were made for weapons charges (the

boyfriend is a previous felon and had loaded handguns in his possession), operation of a drug factory, sale and possession of narcotics. In November or 2010, the buyer of Mr. Slavtcheff's property purchased another house in Oakdale and moved his daughter and her boyfriend to that location. They still utilize the Quonset Hut for storage and appear to engage in the sale of firewood harvested from the larger of the two parcels. The A-frame is currently rented. Guns are still fired next door (High Velocity Semi-Automatic Weapons with high capacity clips – 50 or more rounds fired in less than 30 seconds and semi-automatic pistols). In the spring of 2012, one resident suffered an accidental gunshot wound.

Despite all the issues summarized above, the irresponsible use of ATVs, motorcycles and 4WD trucks has been the most disruptive to my family's lifestyle. These machines apparently are modified to increase power by minimizing the exhaust system, mufflers and spark arresters. They are also used for jumping, racing, "mudding", etc. so the sound levels are not constant, but emit "impact" type noises that cannot be disregarded. Prior to the arrest, these machines were used at all hours of the day. After the arrest, they are used primarily on weekends. Using a decibel meter purchased at an electronics supply store, I have at times measured sound amplitudes of over 100db. This is equivalent to sitting in the stands at the Waterford Speed Bowl during a racing event or adjacent to an airport runway. Sound levels of this type can be damaging to health and wellbeing.

Starting in 2009, I have taken the following action regarding noise:

- a. I notified the Town of East Lyme Zoning Official (on numerous occasions) of extensive ATV usage. Mr. Mulholland sent a letter notifying the new owner that RU-80 property could be utilized to operate ATVs, but the property could not be used to operate a "Club". Guest riders continued to use the property and no additional enforcement action has been taken.
- b. I notified the First Selectman of the situation.
- c. I notified the ELPD of the situation.
- d. I contacted the State DEP (DEEP) regarding noise. They indicated that State regulations only apply to licensed vehicles on roadways. Off road vehicles are not covered by any state statute. DEEP patrols of the Nehantic State Forest were increased.
- e. I contacted other towns about Noise Ordinances. I found that many towns had successfully enacted noise ordinances and that enforcement problems were minimal. The only Town that reported a problem with enactment was Waterford. Speed Bowl supporters opposed the ordinance as written. The Waterford Ordinance currently excludes the racetrack.
- f. I called the ELPD regarding ATV usage and noise. Occupants were told that they could not ride ATV on town roads. However, ATV use and noise is not regulated in East Lyme on Private Property, so no citation was issued nor could preventative action could be taken.
- g. I talked to other ATV and motorcycle users. While sympathetic, they indicated that ordinances restricting the use of ATV are rarely enacted because ATV and motorcycle associations actively oppose any legislation intended to restrict use or sale of these vehicles.

Members suggested a noise ordinance to help control irresponsible use of these machines. Some residents of my road that also race motorcycles indicated that the sounds coming from the property adjacent to my home were far in excess of what would be permitted during motorcycle racing.

- h. While no other neighbors are "abutting" the old Slavtcheff property, I requested their support to help convince the town that stop excessive noise should be stopped. All were reluctant to become involved.

In the Fall of 2011, it became clear that the "boyfriend" would be sentenced to prison. At that time I again approached the Town regarding a noise ordinance. I hoped to have a "protective measure" in place before a prison sentence was completed. With the help of Mr. Formica, Mr. Mulholland, the Town Attorney and the DEEP, an ordinance has been drafted, reviewed and approved by the town attorney and reviewed and approved by the DEEP. It is now (hopefully) ready for enactment.

The "boyfriend" was released by the State in August 2012 after the death of his father. He will be on parole for 3 additional years. While ATV usage is no longer occurring on a daily basis, it still occurs on weekends. Even with house windows closed, the sound of ATV's are quite clear and can make talking on the phone or other normal tasks more difficult. Also, my wife is currently going through Chemotherapy, so the noise makes it difficult to rest or sleep.

Many who have heard this story find it hard to believe that something like this could happen in East Lyme. I find the reverse is true.....people can't really appreciate what has happened next door until they have lived it. I urge you to watch the You Tube Videos to obtain a better appreciation of how my life has been affected by noise. I have also attached some still pictures to this statement to show some of the activities that occur next door or can generate high intensity noise. I urge the Town to adopt the Noise Ordinance at the earliest opportunity.

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group of friends so close they should be family

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Description:

An elite group of riders  
Friends that have a strong love for anything with a engine

Privacy Type:

Open: All content is public.

**Admins**

-  ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
-  ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ (East Lyme High School) (creator)

**Officers**

-  ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ *santi*  
President

**Members**

6 of 84 members [See All](#)

*< 84 MEMBERS*



~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Chris Kennedy



~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Justin Smith



~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Michael T. Sawyer



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~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Stephen Sawyer



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Good times



Good times 34 of 42 Tag Photo Options Share

**The killer**

June 21, 2010 at 6:23pm

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June 21, 2010 at 6:23pm I know he shot that cause there ain't no blood on the knife lol

June 21, 2010 at 6:23pm He totally killed it with my bare hands no joke just used the knife to gut it

June 21, 2010 at 6:23pm (in response to:) I tried that before I couldn't catch the mother fucker it started flying lol I better have turkey soup for when I get home tomorrow.. Hey and we racing tomorrow?

June 21, 2010 at 6:23pm yes racing

June 21, 2010 at 6:23pm

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playing with the 4x4 crew

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# Exhibit B

## Black Hawk

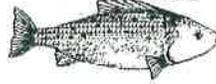
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Mr. Paul Formica  
First Selectman, Town of East Lyme  
108 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Niantic, CT 06357

Re: Storm Damage to Black Hawk Dock

Dear First Selectman Formica,

As owner and captain of the Black Hawk sportfishing boat, I am writing to you and the boards to express my concerns over the condition of the town owned dock and adjacent buildings where the Black Hawk is moored and conducts our business.

As you are aware from your recent visit to the dock a few months ago, many of the planks are rotted, loose and unsafe. We've made dozens of Band-Aid repairs over the years to both the dock and buildings. I've spent thousands of dollars of my own, trying desperately to keep ahead of problems. The shack there was so badly depilated that we jacked it up and sister framed the entire framework with 2 x 12s. I paid a local contractor to help. We also sheet-rocked the inside, put in new windows, and painted. If the building was privately owned, the town would condemn it and make you tear it down. On the dock, we've replaced planks and tried to maintain what we can. Unfortunately, even though we tried our best to remedy the situation, we've still had employees, and even a handful of customers, fall through the rotten planks of the dock and suffer minor cuts, bruises, and splinters.

In the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, the dock condition has worsened to the point that it is now unusable. Please see the enclosed photos, taken right after the storm. The extreme tidal surge has broken everything in its path. Many of the dock pilings, which are the backbone of the entire dock, have shifted and are now at an angle. The landing is just hanging there after dropping more than a foot. **This is an urgent safety and liability issue for the town of East Lyme.** Due to the unsafe conditions, we have had to cancel the last two weekends of our fishing season as we cannot possibly have customers on the dock. This past weekend the weather was beautiful, and our phone was ringing off the hook with people wanting to fish. We sent them all to the Sunbeam, costing us valuable end of the season revenue.

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The dock is way beyond the condition where I can try to repair it anymore. Also, my personal liability over self-made amateur repairs makes this out of the question.

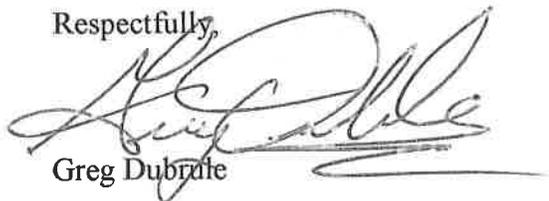
I am requesting that the town of East Lyme consider a major upgrade or rebuild of the dock. I hope you can make this a priority, as we start fishing again in the middle of April. A marine dock building business, such as Gwenmor Marine Construction of Mystic should be consulted on what and how repairs should be done. East Lyme may have the opportunity to consider this repair a part of the Federal Disaster Damage caused by Superstorm Sandy. There may be federal monies or grants available to make the necessary repairs.

Paul, we both have the same vision of what this dock, boardwalk, and waterfront access can be. It's all a very valuable attraction to the East Lyme/Niantic area. We alone bring in thousands of tourists each year. They eat, sleep, shop, and fill up their gas tanks before departing our area. You can attest to the number of our customers that visit your restaurant in Flanders. The financial impact of these boats like the Black Hawk is tremendous.

I hope you will place this issue on your very next board of Selectman meeting agenda. I will be available to attend and answer any questions you or any other board members may have..

I thank you very much for looking into this matter.

Respectfully,



Greg Dubrife

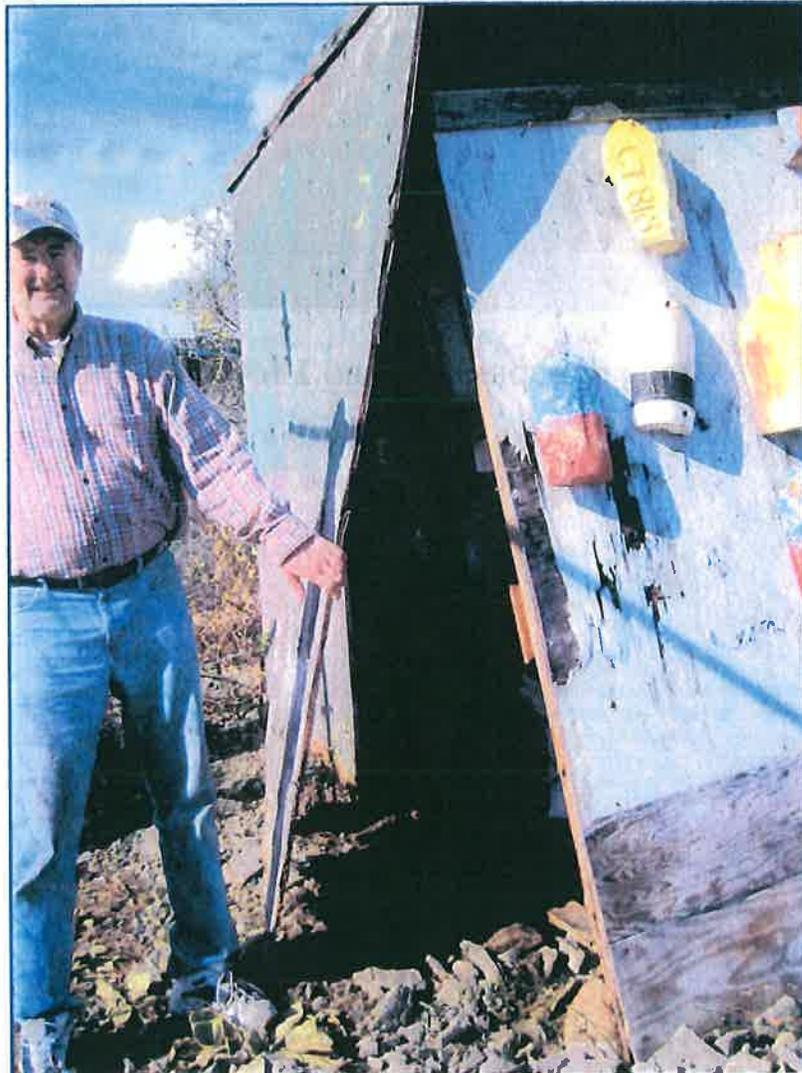
cc Board of Selectmen  
Jack Hogan  
Holly Cheeseman  
Rob Wilson  
Rosanne Hardy  
Mark Nickerson  
John Birmingham  
Ray Hart, Chairman, Board of Finance  
Bill Sherer, Town Engineer  
Joe Smith, Building Official



Dock dropped approx. 1 foot off landing

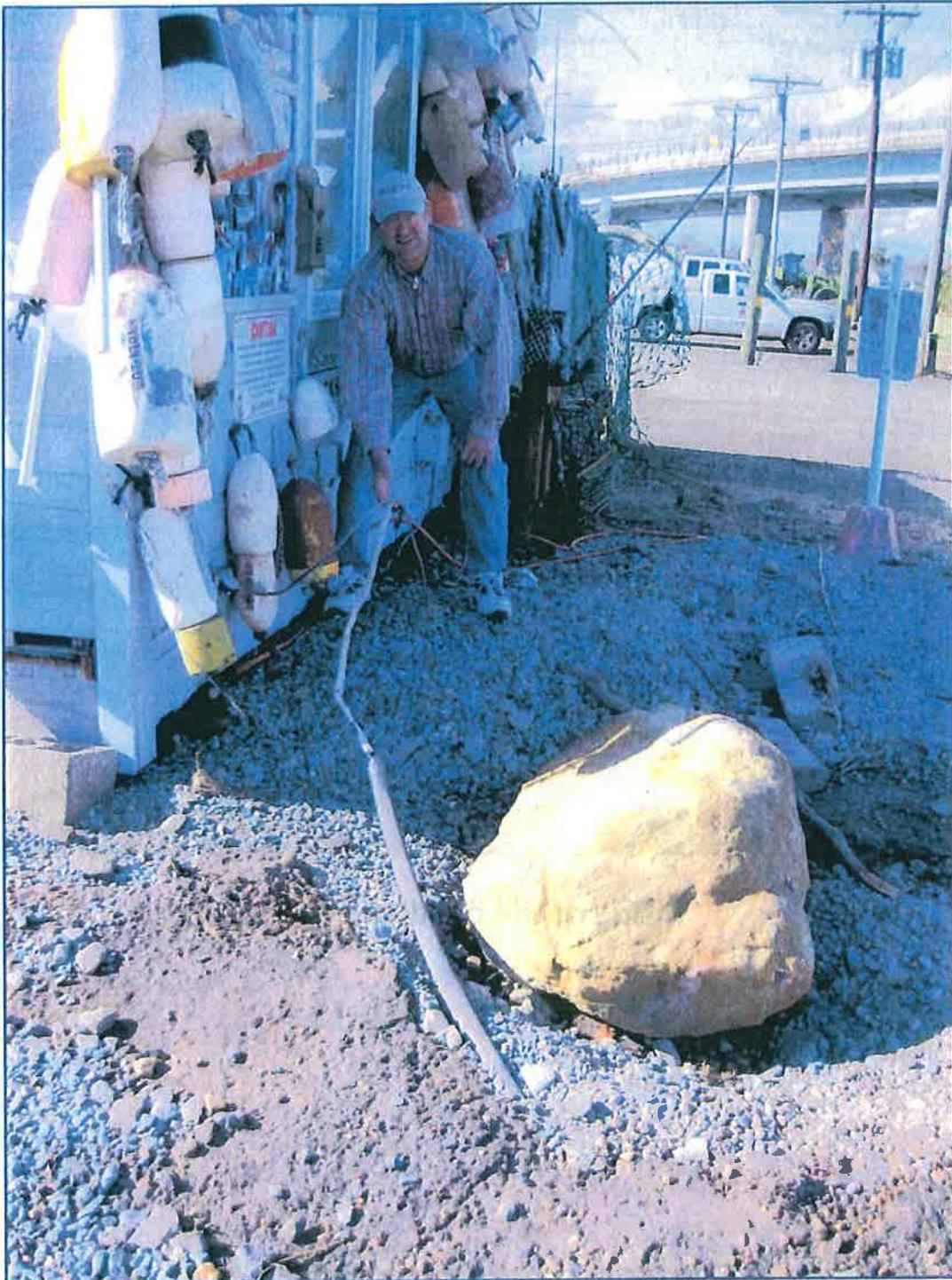


The hurricane surge went right through the building





Inside of the building



Exposed wires



Several missing planks on both ends of the dock





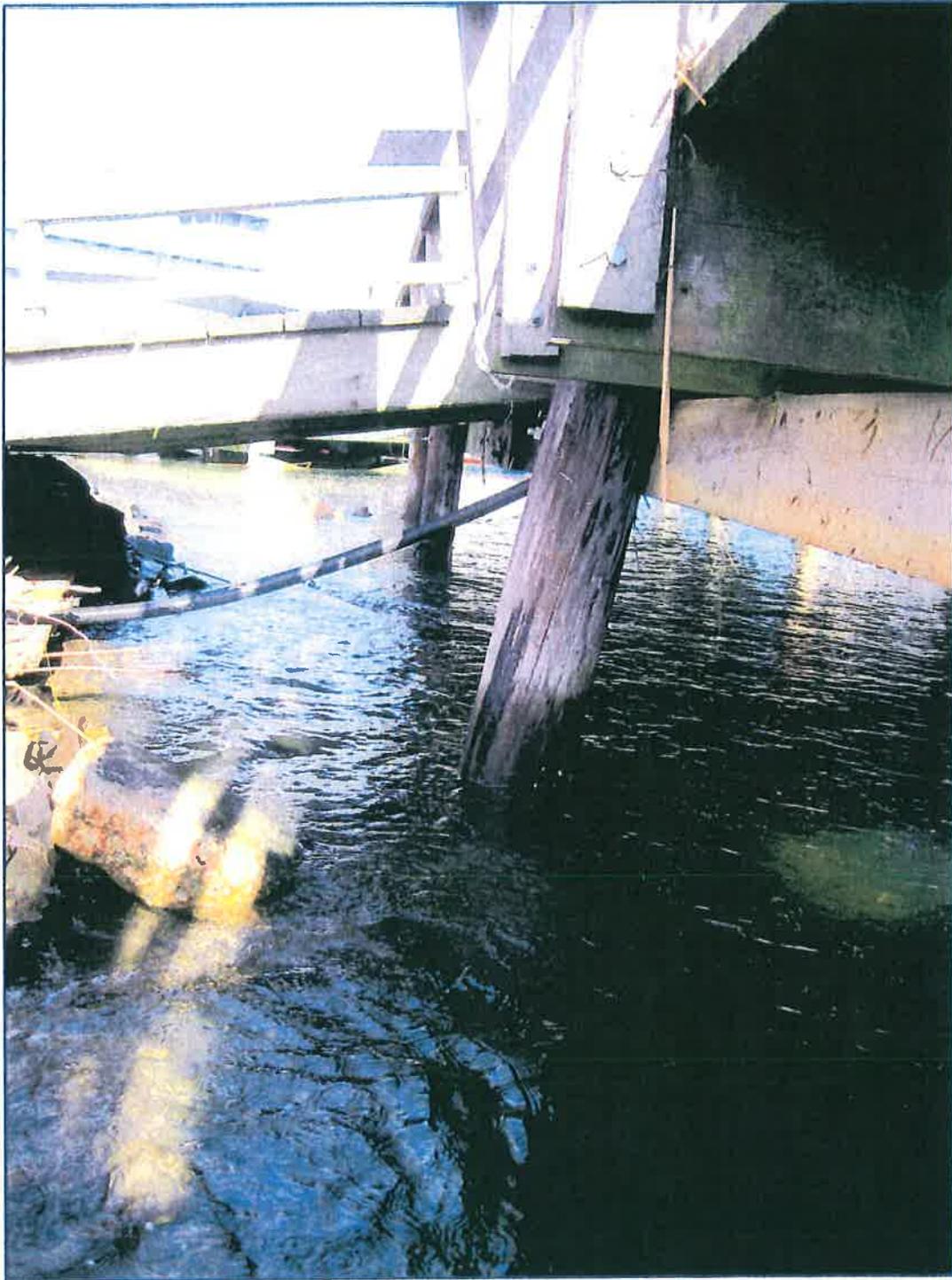


The entire dock is twisted and uneven





Numerous pilings are at an angle caused by the hurricane surge



Numerous pilings are at an angle caused by the hurricane surge



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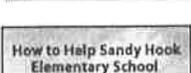
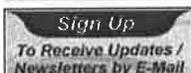
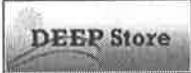
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**Noise Pollution Control**

**Municipal Noise Regulation Programs**

The policy of the state is to promote an environment free from noise to the extent that it jeopardizes the health and welfare of the citizens of the State of Connecticut. The first point of contact for the resolution of local noise issues is your local government official. In some towns the local Department of Health can assist, while in others you will need to contact Town Hall to identify the appropriate official.

In accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 22a-73, DEEP reviews and approves municipal noise ordinances. For reference purposes, the following table sets out approved municipal noise ordinance text by town.

<u><a href="#">Ansonia through Harwington</a></u>	<u><a href="#">Kent through Rocky Hill</a></u>	<u><a href="#">Salisbury through Woodbridge</a></u>
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\* Denotes: Torrington Area Health District Noise Ordinance and Approval Letter dated Letter 4/6/83.

Town Name	Date of DEEP Approval
<b><i>Ansonia through Harwington</i></b>	
<a href="#">Ansonia</a>	<a href="#">06-13-01</a>
<a href="#">Bethlehem</a> *	<a href="#">04-06-83</a>
<a href="#">Branford</a>	<a href="#">10-12-89</a>
<a href="#">Bridgeport</a>	
<a href="#">Bristol</a>	<a href="#">10-24-04</a>
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<a href="#">Cornwall</a> *	<a href="#">04-06-83</a>
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