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EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION

Chairman
Stephen Dinsmore

Treasurer **Donald F. Landers Jr.**

Secretary Joseph Hitchery

HARBOR MANAGEMENT SHELLFISH COMMISSION April 19, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

<u>Members Present</u>: Steve Dinsmore, Don Landers, Joe Hitchery, Barbara Johnston, Rick Kanter, and Greg Murin

Members Absent: Bill Mountzoures

Ex Officos Present: Harbor Master Dick Morris, Deputy Harbor Master Marc Berger

Ex Officios Absent: Selectman Marc Salerno

1. **CALL TO ORDER**. Chairman Dinsmore called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm.

Motion: Landers moved to add to New Business the Camp Niantic Exclusion Zone. It was seconded by Kanter. Approved 6-0.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 15, 2016. Minutes were approved 6-0.

3. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS.

- a. Bob Conegliaro, Gerwick Mereen LLC, presented a COP for a dock at 28 Bishops Bay Road (Jeff and Barbara Steckler) for information purposes.
- b. In addition, Conegliaro presented a new dock application for 26 Bishops Bay Road (Ellen and Bruce Bellucci). Dock consists of 4' x 33' fixed pier with 3' x 26' ramp and 10' x 16' float with boatlift, and retains existing bulkhead in place since 1995 with 7' clearance at base of bulkhead. He stated the proposal is consistent with current DEEP policy.

Motion: Hitchery moved to find the application consistent with Harbor Management Plan. Seconded by Johnston. Approved 6-0.

4. REPORTS.

- a. Shellfish: Kanter reported good results.
- b. Harbor Master:
 - Renewals had 6% no response
 - 68 paid, pending inspection report
 - 135 paid and renewed



- 13 cancelled
- 284 total moorings

Discussion ensued in regard to publication of mooring regulations. Harbor Master boat to be launched Friday, April 22, 2016. Fuel to be provided from EL town pump and shared cost-wise 50/50 with Waterford.

- c. Treasurer: No report.
- d. Ex Officio: Absent, no report.

5. OLD BUSINESS.

a. **Harbor Management Plan**: Dinsmore spoke with Geoff Steadman and HM plan is still in review status with DEEP. Marcie Balint of DEEP should have the results by 23 or 26 April and then to this Commission to review and pass on to the Board of Selectman. Proposed plan previously sent to the other EL Town Commissions for review and comments but none received to date.

6. NEW BUSINESS.

- a. **Camp Niantic Exclusive Zone**: Signs and buoys apparently are not consistent with DEEP regulations and permit per Marcie Balint. Dinsmore to contact Camp Niantic and invite a representative to May meeting for discussion.
- b. **Correspondence**: Landers reported Timothy Londregan received an agricultural permit for his proposed oyster farming operation in Niantic Bay.

7. FINAL COMMENTS.

Further discussion of mooring regulations and Harbor Management Plan was conducted. Conclusion was that wording in the Plan should be: "Moorings shall be maintained in accordance with mooring regulations established by the Harbor Management Commission".

8. **ADJOURNMENT**: Motion to adjourn by Murin. Seconded by Kanter. Passed 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Joe Hitchery, Secretary