



TOWN OF EAST LYME
EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION

Chairman
Stephen Dinsmore

Treasurer
Donald F. Landers Jr.

Secretary
Joseph Hitchery

HARBOR MANAGEMENT SHELLFISH COMMISSION
February 16, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Steve Dinsmore, Chairman; Don Landers, Treasurer; Rick Kanter; Bill Mountzoures

Members Absent: Greg Murin, Barbara Johnston, Joe Hitchery

Ex Officiis Present: Dick Morris, Harbor Master; Marc Salerno

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CONNECTICUT
Feb 29, 2016 AT 12:30 AM (PM)
Kevin Falbo
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Others Present: Bill Sheer, Town engineer; Keith Neilson, Docko, Inc.; Mr. Fountain, Black Point Representative

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairman Dinsmore called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 19, 2015.**

Minutes were approved unanimously.

3. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS.

- A. Mr. Neilson presented a revised plan for Grand Street. There was discussion on dredging and the disposal of dredging material. The floats are wood and should be taken out in the winter. This needs to be on list of winter preparations.

Motion by Mr. Kanter to find the revised project for the Grand Street boat launch ramp with straight dock going down to the east is consistent with the Harbor Management Plan. Second by Mr. Landers.

Motion was approved unanimously.

- B. Black Point application. Mr. Fountain appeared as the Black Point representative. Keith gave an overview of the project. This is a COP (certificate of permission) to rebuild launch ramp on Seaview Avenue. This is for information only as the Harbor Management Commission does not have any official capacity with a COP. DEEP asked for additional information. There are no objections to this project.

Harbor Management Commission will write a letter in support of the project and send it to the contact person in Hartford. Keith will send contact information to Steve.

5. REPORTS

- A. **Shellfish.** Mr. Kanter reported that shell fishing is open. Scallops going well. Closes at



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the end of February.

- B. Harbor Master.** Received Phone call and email from Coast Guard regarding a complaint they received about number 8 pylon in Smith Cove. Complaint stated that the pylon had been moved; however, it is a pylon and it has not been moved. Mr. Morris looked at it and it seems to be fine. There was discussion on who is responsible to maintaining the pylons and markers.

Sent out mooring renewal forms. Getting some responses. \$25 fee. Took in approximately \$7600 for moorings last year. Discussion on moorings in Waterford, they do not have enough control on where moorings are placed.

- C. Treasurer.** Board of select cut our budget by \$850. 200 from recording secretary, 600 from maintenance of harbor, 50 supplies. \$3000 goes to save the river. 5000 left. Not called to appear to defend the budget. How do we budget the fill ups? 4 fills a year at town pumps. Split between EL and Waterford.
- D. Ex-Officio.** Mr. Salerno reported on current proposals in the board of selectman's meeting. The budget will be voted on tomorrow night. Ratified leases in Cini park. Complaints about unused lobster pots under the bridge. There is room for another dock if town wants to put it in.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Harbor Management Plan.** Spoke with Mr. Steadman. Comments from Marcy Blint (DEEP) and has incorporated those and sent back to her for final approval. When it gets final approval from DEEP it will need to be presented to Board of Selectmen for approval. Then there will be a public approval.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Correspondence.

- a. Motion by Mr. Landers that East Lyme Harbor Management and Shell Commission join the save Oswegatchie Hills Coalition. Second by Mr. Kanter. Motion was approved unanimously.
- b. Comments from State of CT Military Dept., Thaddeus J Martin Major General, The Adjutant General in regards to Harbor Management plan. This has been passed on to Mr. Steadman.

7. FINAL COMMENTS – None

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM