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TOWN OF EAST LYME

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EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION

Chairman  
**Stephen Dinsmore**

Treasurer  
**Donald F. Landers Jr.**

Secretary  
**Joseph Hitchery**

**HARBOR MANAGEMENT SHELLFISH COMMISSION**  
**October 18, 2016, MEETING MINUTES**

Members Present: Don Landers, Joe Hitchery, Barbara Johnston, Rick Kanter, Greg Murin, Bill Mountzoures

Absent: Steve Dinsmore

Ex Officis Present: Deputy Harbor Master Marc Berger

Absent: Harbor Master Dick Morris, Selectman Marc Salerno

**CALL TO ORDER.** Don Landers who will oversee the meeting this evening in Steve Dinsmore's absence called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2016.**

Johnston motioned to correct the following:

- Under New Business – 1<sup>st</sup> Motion – Change Dinsmore to Murin.
- Under New Business – 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion – Change Dinsmore to Johnston.
- Under Adjournment – change Dinsmore to Murin.

Hitchery moved acceptance of minutes corrected as noted above. Seconded. Passed.

- **PUBLIC DELEGATIONS.** Timothy Londregan emailed the oyster farm signage idea for the Boardwalk to Dinsmore for approval, and in Dinsmore's absence gave a brief overview on what he believes it will look like. Londregan had spoken with Tessa at Sea Grant to get ideas. She mentioned there was a matching fund up to \$2,000 and that the state has approved vendors. Londregan spoke with First Selectman Mark Nickerson, and he would like to see the Trust approve it and help pay for it. Mark Nickerson and Tessa from Sea Grant would like the Commission to write a letter of recommendation to Sea Grant.

Murin motioned for the Commission to write the letter to Sea Grant with a copy to the Trust. Seconded. Passed.

**REPORTS.**

**Shellfish:** Kanter reported that the River is now open. He also reported that scallop season is Dec 1 – Jan 31.

**Harbor Master:** Deputy Harbor Master Berger said there is nothing new for this month. He did mention that Sea Grant is responsible for the Long Island Sound Blue Plan. This "Blue Plan" legislation establishes a process by which Connecticut will develop an inventory of Long Island Sound's natural resources and uses and, ultimately, a spatial plan to guide future use of the Sound's waters and submerged lands. Berger mentioned that they were having a meeting in Norwalk at 6:00 p.m. on November 16, which Commissioners might want to attend.



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**Treasurer:** Invoice paid in the amount of \$3,000 for an annual contribution to STR STH Pump-Out Program.

**Ex-Officio:** Don Landers in the absence of Selectman Salerno reported on items approved at last Board meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS.**

**Harbor Management Plan:** The Harbor Management Plan has been approved by DEEP and should be final within the next month pending reviews and approvals by Town Attorney and Joint Planning Commission.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

**Correspondence:** Landers received a COP that was approved already – just passing the paperwork around for the commission to review. The COP is listed below.

- Certificate of Permit (COP) for 34 Great Wight Way Road for Armor/Scour Stone Retention from Crescent Beach Association.

Landers spoke about the Community Resilience Workshop being held at Camp Niantic (Gary Goeschel) on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. This meeting will discuss what the town can do to make sure assets along the shoreline will continue to stay safe, considering the sea level rise and possible storm damage, etc. Contact Gary if interested in attending.

**FINAL COMMENTS:** Kanter mentioned there appears to be conflicting information on the depths of dredging in the Federal channel and at Smith Cove. He has reviewed several Boater Guides and official charts in regard to these areas and although 5-6 feet is probably above average, an official survey should be done as it has been many years since the late one. Kanter also suggested that when we have a new dingy dock at Grand Street the publishers should be notified so their guides can be updated. This would attract more people to our area and get them to spend money in our town. Londregan provided a status update on the oysters. He said that mortality was at 7%. He is going to start selling the oysters this week.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

Motion: Hitchery moved to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Seconded. Passed.

Submitted by  
Mary Jane Gaudio, Recording Secretary