



TOWN OF EAST LYME  
EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION

FILED

Chairman  
Stephen Dinsmore

Treasurer  
Donald F. Landers Jr.

Apr 20 2017 AT 10:00 AM/PM  
Secretary  
Joseph Hitchery  
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION  
APRIL 18, 2017, MEETING MINUTES

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

Ex Officios Present: Deputy Harbor Master Marc Berger, Selectman Paul Dagle

Absent: Harbor Master Dick Morris

**CALL TO ORDER.** Steve Dinsmore called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2017.**

Motion: Johnston moved acceptance of minutes. Kanter Seconded. Passed 7-0-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF INFORMATIONAL MEETING OF MARCH 21, 2017.**

Motion: Landers moved acceptance of minutes. Hitchery Seconded. Dinsmore and Murin Abstained - Passed 5-2-0.

**PUBLIC DELEGATIONS.** Tim Londregan provided an annual review of his Oyster Cultivation Farm. He said it is going well this year. He said of the 7 acres approved by the Commission he is currently using 2 acres that the federal and state agencies felt was sufficient for beginning the business. He will then get 2 more acres and then 1 more acre in the next year. Londregan said the Stonington hatcheries have 80 million approaching larvae stages. He said that 50% would set – but he is expecting 20% to 25% which he estimates will be 18-20 million oysters.

**REPORTS.**

**Shellfish:** Kanter reported that the river is open.

**Deputy Harbor Master:** Berger reported that everything is going well and that we are at about three-quarters full. He reported that the derelict boat in the middle of the river had been removed.

**Treasurer:**

Two invoices were received from WELSCO in the amounts of \$37.50 (2/17) and \$137.50 (3/17) which Landers will submit for payment.

Dinsmore mentioned that it is almost the end of the fiscal year so if we need to get anything done – now would be the time to do it. Landers mentioned that in the past the Commission had posted the demarcation signs. Dinsmore said he would try to find a weekend when he could get this done.

**Ex-Officio:** Selectman Dagle reported on items approved at the last Board meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS.**

**Harbor Management Plan:** Dinsmore reported that he spoke with Geoff Steadman. Marci Blint of DEEP has approved the plan and has forwarded it to other state agencies for their review, requesting all comments/inputs be submitted to her by May 25, 2017.



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**NEW BUSINESS.**

**Correspondence:**

- Received a final copy of COP that was received on 3/1/17 for Kim Craven at 46 East Shore Drive for seawall rehabilitation.
- Received a final copy of COP that was received 4/6/17 for Andrew Banever for Armor Stone Retention.

**Status of DA/BA Supplied Rain Gage:**

- Landers reported that the new rain gauge is up and running and is now the official rain gauge for the Town.

Landers attended a meeting with Congressman Courtney regarding federal funds that may be available for dredging the Niantic River. Landers was told that if we can find economic evidence to show we need the dredging done it would help. Dick Morris was tasked with reaching out to all the marinas on the river to find out how many boat slips each one has and if there are any grounding issues.

Dinsmore was told by Geoff Steadman about an opportunity for funding from the new Connecticut Port Authority for infrastructures along the shoreline. Proposals for funding were requested by April 17 and Dinsmore forwarded this information to Gary Goeschel at East Lyme Town Hall. Dinsmore has not heard from Goeschel so is not sure if he responded.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

Montzoures moved to adjourn. Landers seconded.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Submitted by

Mary Jane Gaudio, Recording Secretary