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TOWN OF EAST LYME  
EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION

*Kevin Gallo, atc*  
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Chairman  
Stephen Dinsmore

Treasurer  
Donald F. Landers Jr.

Secretary  
Joseph Hitchery

**HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION**  
**FEBRUARY 21, 2017, MEETING MINUTES**

Members Present: Steve Dinsmore, Joe Hitchery, Don Landers, Rick Kanter, Bill Mountzoures

Absent: Greg Murin, Barbara Johnston

Ex Officios Present: Harbor Master Dick Morris, Selectman Marc Salerno

Absent: Deputy Harbor Master Marc Berger

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

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

Motion: Kanter moved acceptance of minutes. Montzoures Seconded. Passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF INFORMATIONAL MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2017.**

Motion: Hitchery moved acceptance of minutes. Kanter Seconded. Passed.

**PUBLIC DELEGATIONS.** None.

**REPORTS.**

**Shellfish:** Kanter reported that scallop season is still open, but there are not as many scallops as last year. Some people have expressed an interest in oyster restoration because they do filter feeding.

**Harbor Master:** Mooring status as of February 21, 2017:

- 284 Mooring Renewals were mailed out at the end of January 2017.
- 99 Mooring responses have been received.
- 184 Moorings await responses.
- 1 Mooring was cancelled (E-472 Daniel Kaplan)
- Total moorings are 283

Morris reported that WELSCO doesn't want to use our weather station because one day it didn't work which upset them. Kanter said that DEEP has a grant that will pay for the use of the WELSCO weather station and recommends us to use it as the official one. Morris said we pay \$33 a year for our current weather station and Dinsmore suggested for the small price we pay for this service we should keep it in place as a backup.

Morris also reported there is an abandoned boat on a mooring in the middle of the river which has not been moved for over three years. Morris has spoken with the owner many times about removing it but no action has been taken. The owner does not want the boat and at this point it and the mooring are there for anyone who wants them free of charge. If not removed in the next week Morris will have someone haul them away for disposal.

Landers stated if the Commission would have to pay someone to have them removed there is about \$1,400 available in the budget if needed.



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**Treasurer:** The Commission has spent \$6,000 of the \$10,000 budgeted to date. Landers asked Selectman Salerno if he knows if the new budget has been approved or reduced. Salerno said nothing had been said about the budget for the Commission as they are focusing on the budget for Education. Landers asked if he could be updated as the soon as the decision has been made. Salerno said he would contact him by email as to the budget for the Commission once a final decision is made.

Three invoices were received from WELSCO in the amounts of \$31.25 (2/12/17) and \$50.00 (1/30/17), and \$43.75 (1/30/17).

Hitchery asked what actually was paid for the mooring stickers because we had three different amounts billed since November (\$206.00, \$569.72, and \$599.68). Landers said he did not check into it but would before the next meeting.

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

#### OLD BUSINESS.

**Harbor Management Plan:** Dinsmore reported that he spoke with Geoff Steadman. The plan has been approved by Marci Blint of DEEP, but there is further delay because she hasn't decided yet how to distribute the final plan (hard copies or electronically).

#### NEW BUSINESS.

##### **Correspondence:**

- Received final copy of COP that was received in September for the Giants Neck Beach grading sand replacement.
- Received individual permit application for existing dock extensive modification with addition of two new boat lifts on the Niantic River at south end of Pine Grove.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

Montzoures moved to adjourn. Hitchery seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Submitted by

Mary Jane Gaudio, Recording Secretary