

**EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT & SHELLFISH COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
APRIL 17, 2018  
7:30 PM  
EAST LYME TOWN HALL**

Chairman  
Stephen Dinsmore

Treasurer  
Donald F. Landers Jr.

Secretary  
Joseph Hitchery

**Members Present:**, Joe Hitchery, Don Landers, Greg Murin, Don MacKenzie

**Members Absent:** Steve Dinsmore Bill Mountzoures, Rick Kanter

**Ex Officio present:** Paul Dagle, Harbor Master Dick Morris, Deputy Harbor Master Marc Berger

FILED

APR 19 2018 AT 12:30 AM (PM)  
*Joseph Hitchery*  
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

**1. Call to Order:** Secretary, J. Hitchery called the meeting to order at 7:29 PM

**2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 20, 2018**

**Motion: (Murin/Landers) to approve the March 20, 2018 minutes as amended:**

Page 2, section E., Paragraph 5: The proposed area 2 as defined by WELSCO runs parallel to Route #156. ~~east from the Cini Park entrance (about 630' west of the existing kayak dock) south of marker 7, and at a minimum 125' from Route #156 and 125' from the federal channel.~~ **Vote: Approved Unanimously.**

**3. Public Delegations**

Fred Wise-138 Niantic River Road, Waterford stated he wanted to know which website had the criteria listed for aquaculture.

T. Londregan-Niantic Bay, informed the members he spoke to the DEEP Boating and Safety about marking area #2 where the gear will be going and they have agreed to put L2 orange buoys out within the next two weeks for approximately a month. The Commission thanked him for making the arrangements.

**4. Reports**

**A. Shellfish**

The Niantic River is closed for shell fishing due to heavy rain.

**B. Harbor Master**

D. Morris stated the stickers are going out and inspection forms are coming in. He informed the Commission members of a Harbor Master Training class scheduled for May 4, 2018. D. Morris is not able to go but is arranging to get the materials ahead of time. If other members would like to go they can contact Kim Czapla at: [kim.czapla@ct.gov](mailto:kim.czapla@ct.gov) 860-424-3335. D. Morris stated he is bringing the boat to Crockers Boat yard to get the bottom painted and they will put it in the water when completed.

G. Murin informed the members that Waterford is now putting stickers on moorings that match the boat. The Commission thought it might be something to discuss at a future meeting.

**C. Treasurer**

D. Landers received an invoice from WELSCO for \$32.25 for warden patrol and water sampling.

He also received an invoice for \$1000 for the full cost of the Day paper ad which is shared between Waterford Harbor Management, WELSCO, Niantic River Watershed Commission, and East Lyme Harbor Management/Shellfish Commission. D. Landers has asked P. Harris (WELSCO) to invoice the Commission for the Commission's share of \$250 in place of the invoice received.

**D. Ex-Officio**

P. Dagle updated the Commission on the Town budget proceedings.

He is waiting to hear from the First Selectman concerning any requirement for the ELHM/SC to hold a Public Hearing for the Harbor Management Plan.

**E. Niantic River Aquaculture**

D. Landers reported there is a mediation meeting scheduled for May 1, 2018. WELSCO still needs to update their 2002 shellfish policy, and have it vetted by the public before they can act on the application before them. WELSCO will then be seeking consistency reviews from other commissions.

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Harbor Management Plan-Update**

S. Dinsmore, Chairman sent an email to the members informing them that he spoke to Geoff Stedman who is finalizing the Plan. The Commission will have a special meeting to review any outstanding comments and issues. P. Dagle asked if the members had reviewed the Ordinance. It was the consensus of the members that they had reviewed the ordinance as it is part of the Plan.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Correspondence: none**

An email from S. Dinsmore to members was read and he states that he attended the draft inventory meeting of the Long Island Sound Blue Plan. The members were strongly encouraged to read the Blue Plan.

**7. FINAL COMMENTS-none**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: (Murin /Landers) to adjourn at 8:35 PM.**

Respectfully Submitted

Sue Spang  
Recording Secretary

