

**EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT & SHELLFISH COMMISSION
MINUTES
JUNE 18, 2018
7:30 PM
EAST LYME TOWN HALL**

Chairman
Stephen Dinsmore

Treasurer
Donald F. Landers Jr.

Secretary
Joseph Hitchery

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

Members Absent: None

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

1. Call to Order: S. Dinsmore called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

2. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of May 21, 2018

MOTION: (Landers/Murin) to approve the May 21, 2018 minutes as presented:

Vote: Approved Unanimously

3. Public Delegations

None

4. Reports

A. Shellfish

R. Kanter reported the Niantic River is open for shell fishing.

B. Harbor Master

S. Dinsmore informed the members that he received the resignation letter of Harbor Master Dick Morris with regret. He commended D. Morris for his service and said he will be missed. The resignation will be effective September 1, 2018.

D. Morris reported that there were 296 mooring renewals mailed out at the end of February.

- 258 responses received
- 210 were sent stickers
- 39 moorings still need inspections
- 5 moorings cancelled
- 4 new mooring applications received
- 47 owners have not responded

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EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

D. Morris stated he would gladly help the new Harbor Master.

M. Berger stated that Ron Johnson has shown interest in the position and would be a good candidate for Harbor Master. The Town would need to send three names for consideration to the Governor's office for an official appointment.

C. Treasurer

D. Landers stated that there are a couple of weeks remaining in the 2018 fiscal year and any outstanding invoices need to be submitted before June 30, 2018. It was suggested that funds be made available in the future for a part-time Harbor Master administrative assistant.

D. Ex-Officio

P. Dagle informed the Commission of a Public Hearing and Town Meeting to establish a tax abatement for emergency responders.

E. Niantic River Aquaculture

R. Kanter informed the members that WELSCO will be discussing and possibly voting on their updated aquaculture policy at their next meeting. They will also be discussing the Londregan application.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Harbor Management Plan-Update

S. Dinsmore stated the final Plan was at the printers and would be distributed to the Board of Selectmen and the Town attorney. Any changes would come back to the Commission and then a final copy would be printed and distributed. The ordinance would go to a Public Hearing and Town Meeting.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Correspondence:

Wracklines magazine, published by UConn Sea Grant Program, received.

7. FINAL COMMENTS

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: (Landers /Hitchery) to adjourn at 7:54 PM

Respectfully Submitted _____

Sue Spang
Recording Secretary