EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT & SHELLFISH COMMISSION **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 15, 2020 7:30 PM**

EAST LYME TOWN HALL

Meeting was conducted by ZOOM due to COVID

Chairman

Treasurer

Secretary

Stephen Dinsmore

Donald F. Landers Jr.

Joseph Hitchery

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

Members Absent: Don Landers, Craig Mason,

Ex-Officio(s) Present: P. Dagle

Ex-Officio(s) Absent: Harbormaster Ron Johnson, Deputy Harbor Master, Mark Berger,

1. CALL TO ORDER: S. Dinsmore called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2020 MOTION: (Murin/MacKenzie) to approve the November 17 2020 minutes as amended.

P. Dagle informed the members advised that the BOS will be reviewing criteria for leasing of the town piers leasing and their renewals along with approving criteria for applications for leasing.

Terry Lineberger wanted to confirm the commission was aware of the various aquaculture permit processes for local and state waters which came out in the summer of 2019.

Vote: APPROVED Unanimously

FILED

EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

3. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS: none

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4. REPORTS

A. Treasurer-no report

B. Ex-Officio

Selectman Dagle informed the members that the Niantic River boundary issue has not been resolved.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Londregan Lease Renewal (EL 3)

Chairman Dinsmore has reached out to Mr. Londregan but has not heard back from him. S. Dinsmore will try again.

B. Harbor master boat

S. Dinsmore said the harbor master boat is safely stored inside the Boat House Marina in Waterford at no charge. The bottom has been cleaned at no charge. Battery testing was good and R. Johnson is completing the DEEP paperwork.

C. EL Waterford Town Boundary dispute-no report

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposed calendar of meetings POCD

The commission accepted the proposed 2021 meeting dates by consensus.

B. Elections

- S. Dinsmore asked for nominations for Secretary three times. Hitchery nominated C. Mason. R. Kanter made the second. **Approved** unanimously.
- S. Dinsmore asked for nominations for Treasurer three times. S. Dinsmore nominated
- D. Landers. J. Hitchery made the second. **Approved** unanimously.
- S. Dinsmore asked for nominations for Chairman three times. R. Kanter nominated S. Dinsmore. G. Murin made the second. **Approved** unanimously.

C. Shellfish area Markers

- S. Dragan from CT. Dept. of Agriculture sent S. Dinsmore the previous MOU and it will have to be updated. The town now has area F which is seasonal closed and the rest of the bay is open with a 3" trigger. G. Murin informed the members that WELSCO will be updating the MOU to reflect that the Sandy Point area is closed to recreational shell fishing.
- S. Dinsmore said there are markers missing and there are funds in the budget to replace them.

MOTION: (Murin/Kanter) to replace the missing sign in Niantic Bay by the Niantic Bay Yacht club. APPROVED unanimously

E. Correspondence-none

7. FINAL COMMENTS

D. MacKenzie asked about the markers near Marker 7. R. Kanter was not sure what they were, but they looked like boundary markers.

Terry Lineberger thought she had seen someone from Hillyers putting out crab pots.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: (Dinsmore/MacKenzie) to adjourn at 7:57 PM. Vote: Approved Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted Sue Spang Recording Secretary

2021 Meeting Dates: January 19, February 16, March 16, April 20, May 18, June 21*, July 19*, August 16*, September 21, October 19, November 16 and December 21. *3rd Monday of the month