

**EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT & SHELLFISH COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 16, 2021, 7:30 PM
EAST LYME TOWN HALL**

Chairman
Stephen Dinsmore

Treasurer
Donald F. Landers Jr.

Secretary
Craig Mason

Members Present: Steve Dinsmore, Don Landers, Joe Hitchery, Greg Murin,

Members Absent: Don MacKenzie, Craig Mason, Rick Kanter

Ex-Officio(s) Present: P. Dagle, BOS liaison, Ron Johnson, Harbor Master

Ex-Officio(s) Absent: none


1. CALL TO ORDER: S. Dinsmore called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 19, 2021

MOTION: (Landers/Murin) to approve the minutes of the regular October 19, 2021, meeting as presented: Vote: APPROVED unanimously **FILED**

3. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS:

A. Delegations from the Public-none

Nov 19 2021 AT 12:20 AM/PM

EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

4. REPORTS

A. Treasurer:

D. Landers informed the members that a budget request from the Commission needs to be submitted to the town, he suggested that the same budget for 2021 be submitted for 2022. It was the consensus of the members to submit a budget for \$6650, the same as last year.

D. Landers said he received an invoice from Mike Tyler for a setup of a mooring in the amount of \$1023.00. He does not know what the invoice is for and has a call into M. Tyler for clarification.

B. Ex-Officio:

P. Dagle informed the members that this would be his last meeting and thanked the members for their continued service to the town. He has received an education by attending the meetings. P. Dagle said there will be a town meeting to approve \$1,000,000 in American Recovery Funding. He suggested the Commission consider requesting funding from the ARF for items needed that would be covered by the fund.

C. Harbor Master

R. Johnson submitted a report (See File Copy) updating the Commission on the Harbor Master mooring which will be installed in the Spring. He said the old mooring could be refurbished for approximately, \$150.00.

The Harbor Master boat will be removed from the water for the winter.

The "abandoned" boat has been removed by the owner and is no longer an issue for the Commission.

MOTION: (Landers/Kanter) to authorize payment of \$400.00 to H Plaut for the purchase of a mooring.

Vote: APPROVED unanimously

MOTION: (Landers/Murin) to approve repair of the old harbor master mooring for \$150.00.

Vote: APPROVED unanimously.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Abandoned Boat- update

The boat has been removed and the town is going after the owner to recoup the expenses paid by the town to Marker 7.

B. Shellfish Lease Renewal Process-no report

C. Londregan Lease Renewal (EL3)-Update: Craig Mason

G. Murin has looked at some of the leases emailed to the members and suggested they add language that any activity not allowed is prohibited.

D. Shellfish Management Plan

S. Dinsmore said that the Plan will be discussed at the beginning of the new year. It was suggested that they look at the work Tessa is doing with other towns on their management plans.

E. Establish mooring policy – Waterford Working Group

S. Dinsmore emailed the chairman of the Waterford Harbor Management and Shellfish Commission concerning the size of the working group and has not heard back from her.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Correspondence

Meeting dates and election of officers will be voted on at the December Meeting. The members discussed starting the 2022 meetings at 7:00 instead of 7:30.

7. FINAL COMMENTS

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: (Landers/Hitchery) to adjourn at 8:05 PM. Vote: Approved Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted

Sue Spang

Recording Secretary

2021 Meeting Dates: December 21.



Ronald L. Johnson
Harbor Master
860-649-0228



November 16th, 2021

Harry Plaut, of H.S.Plaut Environmental Co. Has submitted his invoice for the new Harbor Master Mooring. I inspected this mooring and found it to be in excellent condition. It is 500lbs, and is complete with all mooring tackle including the float ball. Mr, Plaut also had the ball inscribed with the weight and the name HARBOR MASTER. This mooring will be installed in the springtime, in the Niantic River.

The old harbor master mooring has been removed and Mr. Plaut stated it could be repaired for between \$100.00 and \$150.00 dollars, and as this mooring is also complete with all suitable tackle, I feel this repair would be beneficial in that the commission would have that second mooring for a fraction of the cost of a new one. A new 500lb mooring is between \$800.00 and \$1000.00 dollars.

I am also in the process of removing derelict and illegal moorings within the Niantic river, and it is hoped that this operation can be completed the week of November 22nd.

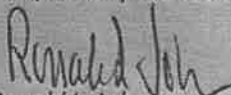
Immediately after that week, the Harbor Master boat will be removed from the water and taken to Boats Inc. To be winterized.

I have been in contact with Waterford Harbor Master Dave Crocker, and he stated he will have no conflict with that plan, and that he would again take possession of the boat and provide inside storage for it during the winter months, at no charge.

Next years mooring applications are ready to be printed and I will be making those arrangements in the coming week, so that they can be in the mail by January of 2022.

I would like to take a moment to thank this commission for the work that was done and the patience that was exhibited during the issue with the boat of Steven Streeter, that wound up at the Marker 7 Marina. I received a telephone call from Mr. Streeter, advising me that he had made a safe journey to Front St in New Haven, CT where his boat is now docked.

Respectfully submitted


Ronald L. Johnson

East Lyme Harbor Master