

Town of East Lyme

East Lyme Harbor Management/Shellfish Commission

Minutes of the Meeting of February 19, 2013
East Lyme Town Hall

1. Call to order – The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chair Stephen Dinsmore
2. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2013 – Marvin Schutt moved approval of the minutes of the meeting, seconded by Barbara Johnston. Change the minutes to indicate Don Landers made the motion to adjourn. Ms. Johnston indicated she believed she said it was the dock that was damaged and the pilings were not.
3. Public delegations – None
4. Reports
 - A. Shellfish – People are out scalloping. Rick went to the State Shellfish Committee meeting in New Haven. Each area representative spoke about what is occurring in their area. Good communication between the various commissions.
 - B. Harbor Master – There has been a 48% renewal rate of mooring fees.
 - C. Treasurer – Don Landers was excused (out of Town). Stephen Dinsmore indicated a corrected bill of \$1,750 had been received for the rain gage.
 - D. Ex-officio – Town budget is under review. Town was at 81% without power after the blizzard on Feb 9th. There was an active shooter training exercise at the High School that was very beneficial to all involved.
5. Old Business
 - A. Harbor Management Plan – there is \$15,000 in the capital plan for the Harbor Management Plan revision. Town is looking at a UConn graduate student to act as a consultant in revising the plan. Request was made to have Jeff Steadman give an approximate quote to review and update the regulatory section.
 - B. No Wake Zone – No discussion
6. New Business

- A. Correspondence – none
- B. Discussion of USGA Rain Gauge Payment for 2014. Ms. Johnston presented a paper listing 12 concerns she had regarding WELSCO, the rain gauge situation, the contract regarding between East Lyme and Waterford Harbor Management, and the lack of communication. Mr. P. Kelly, of WELSCO, was in attendance. Extensive discussion was had regarding the terms of the contract. Ms. Johnston said she believed both co-Chairs for WELSCO should have signed the contract. Also, she stated she believed WELSCO should have to pay their share for the rain gauge. It was pointed out that when the contract comes up for renegotiation is when this issue should be reviewed. Mr. Kelly pointed out that there was a meeting with members of all three commissions at Ledge Light. A date could not be determined and it was asked if the date could be researched. Ms. Johnston made a motion for the town Atty to review the contract since it was not signed by the EL Co-Chair. Bill Mountzores seconded. Ms. Johnston voted in favor, Mr. Dinsmore against, Mr Schutt and Mr. Mountzores abstained, and Mr. Kanfer recused himself.

7. Comments from Other Members - none

8. The meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM.