



TOWN OF EAST LYME
EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION

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HARBOR MANAGEMENT SHELLFISH COMMISSION
July 16, 2013 MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Treasurer Don Landers; Bill Mountzoures; Greg Murin; and Marvin Schutt
Also Present: Marc Berger, Deputy Harbor Master; Ex officio Kevin Seery and Jeff Westermeyer (Coast Line Consulting)
Members Absent: Steve Dinsmore, Chairman; Secretary Barbara Johnston; Rick Kanter

1. CALL TO ORDER. Acting Chairman Landers called the meeting to order at 7:53 p.m.

MOTION (1): Mr. Murin moved to discuss the Cummings dock application and Ex officio Report under item 3 A and B. Seconded by Mr. Schutt. (4-0) Unanimous

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 18, 2013.

MOTION (2): Mr. Murin moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2013, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Schutt. (4-0) Unanimous

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF JUNE 27, 2013.

MOTION (3): Mr. Murin moved to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of June 27, 2013, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Mountzoures. Mr. Schutt and Mr. Landers abstained from voting. (2-0-2) Motion carried.

3. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS.

A. Cummings Application. Mr. Westermeyer of Coast Line Consulting discussed the Cummings Application for a dock. It will need approval from CTDEEP and Army Corps. Mr. Landers felt any issues relating to shellfish were outside the jurisdiction of this Commission. He referred Mr. Westermeyer to WELSCO which will meet on July 18.

Mr. Westermeyer stated the concrete bulkhead and footing needs to be repaired. They would like to install a fixed pier ramp and have a floating dock.

Mr. Murin felt the area was very congested. He believed the Town of East Lyme has a right of way in that area. It also crosses the riparian line. He would like to be assured the neighbors would receive notice. Mr. Murin added that the proposed dock could prevent adjoining property owners ability to install a dock and that may be an issue. Mr. Westermeyer stated they are trying to avoid any conflicts with neighbors. Mr. Schutt asked has there been communication between neighbors? Mr. Westermeyer replied there has not been. Mr. Murin felt the neighbor's point of view needs to be taken into consideration. Mr. Mountzoures felt the ramp angle could interfere with navigation.

This matter was tabled until the Commission has had an opportunity to visit the area and clarification on who owns the adjoining right of way is determined.

B. EX OFFICIO REPORT. Mr. Seery reported at a Town Meeting the Selectmen approved a bond of \$900,000 to replace vehicles for the police, firefighters and Public



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Works. Celebrate East Lyme will be held this Saturday. Mr. Holyfield is working with his crew to remove the floating tree next week. Bids will be accepted until the end of August for repair of the Boardwalk. The work will be done in November; \$4.1 million is available for this work. The Board of Selectmen last met on June 19.

4. REPORTS

A. Shellfish Mr. Landers reported the river was closed on Friday.

B. Harbor Master Mr. Landers reported Mr. Hitchery has submitted his resignation. Mr. Berger reported a few people submitted applications for moorings.

C. Treasurer. Mr. Landers reported that about 75% of the allocated budget was used during the 2012-13 fiscal year; most of the under run was for warden labor dollars.

MOTION (4): Mr. Mountzoures moved to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Seconded by Mr. Schutt. (4-0) Unanimous.

D. Ex-Officio There was nothing further to report.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Harbor Management Plan—Reports from Commission Members The Commission met with Geoff Steadman. Ms. Johnston will give him comments from this commission.

B. Discussion of Niantic River No Wake Zone/Speed Limits Mr. Landers reported Mr. Grimsey applied for a Connecticut Clean Vessel Grant for a sign. It is being reviewed by AMTRAK.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Correspondence.

1. Letter dated July 15, 2013 from Docko, Inc. to this Commission enclosing application from David Painter for a new ramp and float at 19 Ledge Road, Niantic, Connecticut.

MOTION (5): Mr. Murin moved that the application from

David Painter for a new ramp and float at

19 Ledge Road, Niantic, CT is consistent

with our Harbor Management Plan. Seconded

by Mr. Mountzoures. (4-0) Unanimous

7. COMMENTS FROM OTHER COMMISSION MEMBERS There were no other comments from commission members.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION (6): Mr. Mountzoures moved to adjourn the July 16, 2013

Regular Meeting of the Harbor Management Commission

at 9:15 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Schutt. (4-0) Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Gheri, Recording Secretary