



**TOWN OF EAST LYME**  
EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT/SHELLFISH COMMISSION

Chairman  
**Stephen Dinsmore**

Treasurer  
**Donald F. Landers Jr.**

Secretary  
**Joseph L. Hitchery**

*Not official until approved by the Commission at its next regular meeting*

September 16, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes; East Lyme Town Hall

Commissioners Present: Stephen Dinsmore; Barbara Johnston; Donald Landers; Joseph Hitchery and Rick Kanter

Absent: William Mountzoures and Greg Murin

Others Present: Jaxson Vibber and Michael Theiler

FILED IN EAST LYME  
CONNECTICUT  
Sept 22, 2014 AT 2:25 AM/PM  
*Richard J. Owen, Jr.*  
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

**1. Call to Order.** Chairman Dinsmore called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM.

**2. Approval of Minutes of August 19, 2014**

**MOTION:** Mr. Kanter moved to approve the August 19, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Landers. Ms. Johnston abstained from voting. Motion carried. (4-0-1)

**3. Public Delegation** – There were no comments from the public at this time..

**4. Reports**

A. Shellfish. Mr. Kanter reported the river has been open. There were not many scallops.

B. Harbor Master. Mr. Morris reported he and Mark have been using the boat shared by Waterford. They tagged 15 moorings. The majority of the tagged moorings were old. We would like permission to have them pulled. Many are in the bay that need to be pulled. We removed two anchors. We have 288 moorings. We spoke to those individuals who did not renew their moorings. Several need to be inspected. Twenty moorings didn't have stickers. Some were washed off.

Mr. Morris submitted a bill for \$1,590 to repair steering on the boat. Mr. Berger stated the police boat will become available.

Mr. Berger reported 3 Belles Marina had quite a few boats with no markings and have since been marked by 3 Belles. The federal government has given permission for 25 moorings. We witnessed seven with no stickers. 3 Belles has paid for two. He asked for guidance on how to proceed. Mr. Landers replied the regulations are specific that you need permission from the local Harbor Commission or the State of Connecticut. He suggested requesting that they produce paperwork from Army Corps or the state.

Mr. Berger stated 3 Blackpoint Road had nothing on it. It had a red sticker, with no registration and he asked that it be hauled. Mr. Landers suggested first contacting the owner. Mr. Berger added there are three with no compliance. Mr. Morris stated many do not have numbers on the mooring.

**MOTION:** Ms. Johnston moved to pull the three moorings

at Black Point Road. No second.

Mr. Landers felt they should not be pulled until doing the proper outreach. Mr. Kanter felt it is enough to put a red sticker on them. He agreed there should be more public outreach. Mr. Landers suggested that this Commission put a notice in the Lyme Times. Mr. Kanter agreed to write an article. Mr. Morris will have it placed on the Town website.

C. Treasurer. Mr. Landers reported he received a clerical bill for 3 hours and a bill for Warden patrolling from June to August in the amount of \$87.50. Mr. Landers suggested tabling the bill for repair of the boat until he had discussions with Mr. Formica and Chief Pendleton. There were no objections to the Treasurer's Report, and it was accepted as presented.

D. Ex Officio. Mr. Seery was unable to be present and there was no report.

## 5. Old Business

A. Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Hitchery distributed email dated September 16, 2014 from Geoffrey Steadman to Mr. Hitchery giving his progress report. Mr. Landers asked if Mr. Steadman felt there may be any issues with DEEP on the updated plan? Mr. Hitchery replied he did not. Mr. Dinsmore agreed to contact Mr. Steadman.

## 6. New Business

A. Correspondence. There was no new correspondence.

B. RT. 1 Bridge Replacement Impact Determination. Mr. Dinsmore provided an update from the CT DOT on the storm water mitigation plan for the RT. 1 project.

MOTION: Mr. Landers moved to find State Project #044-147 to rebuild a bridge on US-1 over the Niantic River bridge is consistent with the Harbor Management Plan. Seconded by Ms. Johnston. (5-0)  
Unanimous.

7. **Final Comments.** The sign with the camera for the no wake zone has been removed.

It was observed that a dock is being built in Black Point.

Ms. Johnston asked if the rain gauge was purchased. Mr. Morris stated we have asked for permission.

MOTION: **Mr. Kanter moved to purchase an additional module for the Town rain gauge. Seconded by Ms. Johnston. (5-0) Unanimous.**

Mr. Vibber reported he understood that in August or September there was discussion about proposed transient moorings on Grand Street. Mr. Morris replied the Town was hoping for a STEEP Grant for bathrooms and water and sewer. The Town did not receive the grant.

**8. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Mr. Landers moved to adjourn the September 16, 2014 Regular Meeting of the Harbor Management/Shellfish Commission at 8:30 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Kanter. Motion carried. (5-0) Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Gheri, Recording Secretary