MILFORD HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING June 16, 2011

The Milford Harbor Management Commission held its regular meeting on Thursday, June 16, 2011 in the conference room at Milford Landing. Chairman Montano called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Commission Members Present	Not Present
J. Beard	N. Bennett
G. Montano	R. Brennan
D. Newman	R. Miller
R. Post	R. Winters
A. Waterman	B. Bier, Alderman Liaison
	N. Veccharelli, Alderman Liaison
Also Present	

R. Swift, Operations Director, Harbormaster

L. Bodick, Deputy Harbormaster

Consideration of Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 19, 2011 were presented. <u>Mr. Beard made a motion to accept</u> the minutes. Mr. Post seconded. Motion carried unanimously with no changes.

Public Comments - None

Chairman's Report - None

<u>Director's Report</u> – Memorial Day was a good weekend. A number of boats came in with a few slips still available.

Pirate Day was last Sunday. It was changed from a Saturday morning event to a Sunday afternoon event. Several hundred people were in attendance for the arrival of the pirates. It looked like it'd be a good day for downtown.

A tent has been purchased and delivered. The old one was put up in the spring for an event. It will stay up for the season and the new one used in 2012.

The pumpout has been delivered and is in the marina maintenance garage. It looks like it will fit on the present pumpout pad. Mr. Swift will look at the specifications next week and start to plan the installation. Plumbing will be done in house and the electrical work will be done by the city electrician.

Public Works has an account for dock repair. Mr. Kolwicz contacted Mr. Swift to see if anything needed replacing. Mr. Swift made up a list of lumber needed to replace the long dock at the launch ramp area. Float tubs and hardware will have to be purchased in the future. Decking for the docks may be able to come out of the same account next year. Mr. Bodick suggested investigating wood alternatives for the decking material.

Mr. Rich Wincapaw will conduct the mooring inspections soon.

The property is in good shape.

Seasonal help is working the weekends only at this time.

<u>Harbormaster's Report</u> – There are about 12 vacancies on the harbor floats with 1 out for paperwork. Vacancies are right where they were at last year. Mr. Bodick seemed to think that Milford Boat Works has about 25 boat slips still open for the season.

People are selling their boats in the Housatonic so the waiting list is being reduced. The yellow catamaran is too close to the channel at times and the mooring needs to be moved. Mr. Swift is working with the Housatonic Boat Club to get this done.

Report of Standing Committees

Milford Landing – no report

Finance - Fund balance as of 05/31/11 was \$ 265,939.65 in savings and \$98,794.92 in checking for a total of \$364,734.57. All bills are paid. The end of the fiscal year is June 30 and we should be in the black even with the depreciation figure.

Harbor and Mooring - no report

Housatonic - no report

Amendments - no report

<u>Correspondence</u> – A letter from Planning and Zoning regarding updating the Plan of Conservation and Development was passed around. Mr. Beard commented on the history of the launch ramp, tennis court, and basketball court areas. He suggested that the commission voice an opinion on the need for ramp parking as a water related use since most of the harbor shoreline is private. There was some discussion as to whether more parking would create more revenue or just ease the present parking situation. Mr. Swift requested Mr. Beard send him a paragraph on it and Mr. Swift will get it to the appropriate person.

<u>Old Business</u> – There is no update on the pond dredging.

The pumpout station was covered in the Director's report.

The High Street Town Dock bulkhead bid has been accepted. Terry Contracting won the bid. There is no word on a start date. DeCarlo and Doll dropped off a copy of a building permit application submitted to Planning and Zoning.

The Department of Environmental Protection sent a letter with a list of concerns related to the marina dredging application. The letter was passed around for review. Roberge seemed to think that there wasn't too much to worry about. The work floats, with the bubbler system pipes, that are behind the docks are not permitted. Mr. Swift will bring the pipes up to land and store them there for the summer. The work floats will be taken out.

<u>New Business</u> – Scoopy Doo's lease ended May 31, 2011. Ms. Jackie Maloney has been on a 5 year lease schedule which increases the monthly lease amount by \$10.00 June 1st of each year. Mr. Swift proposes to keep the present lease using the same scheduled \$10.00 increase per year. <u>Mr. Post made a motion to renew Ms. Maloney's lease for 5 years with the monthly fee to increase by \$10.00 on June 1st of each year. Mr. Waterman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.</u>

The brake line on the marina truck went. Mr. Swift is using a yellow city truck at the present time. The garage doesn't have the money to fix the brake line until after July 1. The feeling is that other problems will start to occur with the marina truck even if the brake line is fixed. It takes Mr. Swift about ½ day to plow and he doesn't want to rely on Public Works for plowing. Discussion took place on what kind of truck is needed.

<u>Liaisons</u>

Stratford - no report

Aldermen – no report

P & Z - no report

Being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Tougas Recording Secretary