

**MILFORD HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**September 17, 2009**

The Milford Harbor Management Commission held its regular meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2009 in the conference room at Milford Landing. Chairman Montano called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Commission Members Present

J. Beard  
N. Bodick  
R. Brennan  
R. Miller  
G. Montano  
R. Post  
A. Waterman  
R. Winters

Also Present

R. Swift, Operations Director, Harbormaster

Not Present

D. Newman  
L. Bodick, Deputy Harbormaster  
B. Bier, Alderman Liaison  
N. Veccharelli, Alderman Liaison

Consideration of Minutes

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 20, 2009 were presented. Mr. Post made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Waterman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments – None

Chairman's Report – None

Director's Report – It's been a good month except boat traffic was down on the two weekends before Labor Day due to weather forecasts of tropical storms and the past weekend due to rain and wind. We are down about \$9,500 from last year at this time. Hopefully, we can recoup some of that the weekend of September 25/26 because we are 80% booked.

Mr. Swift asked Ms. Bodick to report on her fuel sales. She stated that they are down 52% in gallons sold from 2008. 2008 was a good year; they were up by 20% on gallons sold from 2007.

Mr. Beard questioned how we could make up the loss. Mr. Swift stated that all we can do is hope the weather is good for the remainder of the fall season and that the spring season brings good weather as well since marina sales are weather related. Expenses can be cut back in some areas and the 2009/2010 year will probably end with a low profit margin.

Mr. Swift reported that he has done an inspection of the mooring field work and Mr. Wincapaw has submitted his invoice for payment. The retrofit was a good move and very timely. The new equipment looks very sturdy and the floats are more secure. Mr. Beard wanted to know how Mr. Swift would document the inspection so that the Aldermen will know that the expenditure was justified. Mr. Swift will write a letter to the Aldermen to that effect. Ms. Bodick wanted to know if any of the old parts were hanging around since sometimes a "show and tell" was more effective. Mr. Swift stated that Mr. Wincapaw had removed all the spare parts from the premises as he was working so there were none to use for this purpose.

Harbormaster's Report – Mr. Lor Cubbison is making progress. He has taken the 8 hour required driving course and has an appointment for the physical and written tests at the end of October. He has gotten a quote from Barth and hopefully will have the liability insurance in time for the 2010 season. Mr. Swift is going to work on making sure he vacates his mooring by November 1, 2009 since he didn't get off the mooring last winter and subsequently had problems with the mooring itself.

Mr. Leduc of Riverside Drive has his permit. No activity seems to be taking place right now. Mr. Swift and Mr. Miller heard that the house on the second lot had been sold. The house was sold separately from the lot. At #89 Housatonic Drive, a barge is there and work seems to be progressing on Mr. Kammerer's permit.

#### Report of Standing Committees

Milford Landing – no report

Finance - Fund balance as of 08/31/09 was \$289,456.80 in savings and \$47,081.15 in checking for a total of \$336,537.95. All bills are paid.

Harbor and Mooring – no report

Housatonic – no report

Amendments – no report

Correspondence – None

Old Business – No meeting has been held regarding the Wepawaug Ponds dredging.

The mooring field retrofit was reported on under the director's report.

See the harbormasters report for an update on Mr. Cubbison.

New Business – Ms. Bodick requested that the rock off of the yacht club, out and to the left, be tagged. Three (3) people have hit it. Mr. Post noted that there used to be a buoy there that read "ROCK". Mr. Swift thinks that maybe a chain and buoy can be secured to the rock itself to mark it. He will attempt to mark it this week.

#### Liaisons

Stratford - no report

Aldermen – no report

P & Z - no report

Being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Tougas  
Recording Secretary