

Milford Harbor Management Commission

July 17, 2014

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Present:

James Beard
Nancy Bennett
Robert Brennan
John Nevin
David Newman
Ray Oliver
Robert Pacelli
Robert Post, Chairman
Bruce Kurlya, Harbormaster
Ray Swift, Operations Director

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Absent:

Alan Waterman
Brian Bier, Board of Alderman
Nick Veccharelli Board of Alderman

Chairman, R. Post called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Consideration of Minutes of June 19, 2014

N. Bennett made a motion to approve the minutes of June 19, 2014 seconded by J. Nevin and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: *None*

Chairman's Report— *R. Post*

- The Chairman welcomed Lee Henschman as the new Deputy Harbormaster and the Board introduced themselves.

Director's Report— *R. Swift*

- New fiscal year, the weekends have been good, noting that people are watching the weather closely and usually by Thursday the reservations start coming in. This weekend is Lobster Bake.
- The signs for uneven surfaces on the patio have been installed and the patio on the other side has been getting fixed and the crews have been working on the landscaping in between.
- Revenue and Expenses from 2013-2014 fiscal year proved that it was a good year and this season starting in June feels like the beginning of another good year.

Harbormaster's Report— *B. Kurlya*

- There have been lots of calls for kayak storage, may need another rack.

Permit Reviews— *none*

Report of Standing Committees

Milford Landing— *none*

Finance— Savings \$ 267,686.12
Checking \$ 154,040.20

Total \$421,726.32

Harbor & Mooring–

- R. Swift mentioned that for some reason mussel beds have taken over the bottom of the harbor and have been attaching to the ground tackle for the mooring field. It has been recommended after inspection that the mussels should be removed. He received a quote for \$6300 to scrape them off. N. Bennett made a motion to approve with B. Brennan seconding the motion. R. Swift mentioned that while they are being scraped, should a tackle need replacement, it should be fixed as well. N. Bennett amended her motion to include the inspection of the tackle and allow a 30% contingency fund to pay for repairs that are needed. B. Brennan seconded the amended motion and it carried unanimously.

Housatonic, Amendments- none

Correspondence: R. Swift stated he received a letter from State DEEP that they want to make all pump outs free, for which he added that they are free at the dock presently.

Old Business:

Pond Dredging Update – *none*

Milford Harbor Federal Channel dredging – B. Kurlya added that he would be following up with State regarding the samples.

New Business:

- R. Post passed around an article in the New Haven Register regarding funds for repairs to the breakwater at Gulf Beach.
- Coast Guard was here recently moving the buoys.
- N. Bennett suggested that the Board talk about getting another kayak rack. B. Kurlya suggested one that holds 15 vertical, adding we get \$125 plus tax for each one. R. Swift added that he would be glad to work on this project to get them built for next season. The Board tabled the discussion for next month so that they could get an idea of the price.
- R. Oliver suggested the Board take a look at the Oyster Farm by Silver Sands and the amount of buoys.
- L. Henchman stated that he is working on an updated drawing of the mooring systems used in the river.

Motion to Adjourn

D. Newman made a motion to adjourn seconded by J. Beard. The meeting closed at 8:00 pm.

Beverly A. Hayes
Recorder