

**Milford Harbor Management Commission**  
**November 18, 2021**

**Board Members, Liaisons and Staff Present:**

Robert Brennan, Chairman  
Ray Oliver, Vice Chairman  
Nancy Bennett, Secretary  
Jim Beard  
Joseph Gilbert  
Dora Kubek  
John Nevin  
Bruce Kuryla, Harbormaster  
Lee Henschman, Deputy Harbormaster  
James Donegan, Operations Director

**Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Absent:**

Raymond Kirmaier  
Gregory Harla, Board of Aldermen  
Raymond Vitali, Board of Aldermen

Chairman Brennan called the Zoom meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**Consideration of the minutes of the regular Meeting of October 21, 2021**

A motion was made by D. Kubek and seconded by J. Gilbert to approve the minutes of October 21, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

**Consideration of 2022 Harbor Management Commission Meeting Dates**

R. Oliver made a motion to accept the 2022 meeting dates with N. Bennett seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comments:** None

**Chairman's Report:** Robert Brennan

- Robert Pacelli resigned as he was elected to the Board of Alderman. He spoke with Mayor's office regarding submitting names and was told they already have 13 resumes so if the Commission has any names, please forward them to him to get them to the Mayor.

**Directors Report:** James Donegan

- Marina is winterized for season
- Stirling is conducting the inspections of the moorings and removing the mooring floats
- Boat ramp floats will be removed soon, but still lots of activity over there.

- The mooring and dingy boat renewals from Bruce & Lee have been put in Excel and Dockwa will be used for renewals which will streamline the process. Invoices will go out in mid February due back date of mid March.
- City is re-bidding the sidewalk contract so once complete will work on the pedestrian walkway.
- Dinghy rack and dock work on other side double checking quantities & expansion so they can provide Purchasing with the bid specifications

**Harbormaster Report:** Bruce Kuryla - None

**Deputy Harbormaster Report:** Lee Henschman

- All boats are out of the water and the inspections are 90% complete
- 3 people on waiting list for 30-60 ft. mooring

**Permit Reviews:**

- City of Milford Certificates of Permission for multiple sites for the replacement of deteriorating structures, Seawall, Access Stairs and a Groin. R. Oliver made a motion to approve with J. Nevin seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- Swim Proposal Race – from Gulf Beach to the Boat Ramp on a Saturday Morning shutting down the harbor for about 2 hours. Discussion ensued with Commission concerns regarding safety and shutting down of harbor. An alternative course is recommended from Gulf Beach to Silver Sands. Motion to approve the alternative course by J. Gilbert seconded by J. Nevin and carried unanimously.

**Report of Standing Committees:**

**Lisman Landing:** - J. Donegan

**Finance:** James Donegan

Checking:	\$ 132,275.28
Savings:	<u>\$ 271,249.42</u>
Total:	\$ 403,524.70

**Nominating:** None

**Harbor and Mooring:** None

**Housatonic:** None

**Amendments:** None

**Correspondence:** J. Donegan

**Old Business:**

20 Rogers Avenue – Chairman Brennan explained that, Joe Wren representing owner Mr. Laydon, regarding what the Commission is willing to approve so they can make application to DEEP. Discussion Ensued. Kevin Zawoy from CT DEEP was in attendance and acknowledged that the parcel is unique and he has some flexibility and was willing to provide 30 ft. return on both North & South, however, the Commission has to be provided a plan that they can approve according to their Harbor Plan. The Commission explained that they are only going to approve a 10 ft. return on the North & South Side of the Bulkhead, there is to be no fill and the height of the new bulkhead is to remain at the existing height. The applicant is to make submission to the Planning & Zoning Department so that the application can be forwarded to all departments for review. The Commission also added that if there are any violations, they must be corrected.

Channel and Dredging- B. Kurlya – we need about 1 million to dredge the Harbor

Port Authority and SHIPS GRANT: B. Kurlya – No update they are not interested in small harbors

Shell fishing: R. Brennan- appointed J. Gilbert to work with R. Oliver as R. Pacelli resigned.

Memorial Plaques - J. Donegan – with incorporate into the pedestrian walkway project.

New Projects:

**New Business:**

**Liaisons:** Stratford

**Alderman** – None

**Adjourn:**

J. Nevin made a motion to adjourn at 9:04 pm seconded by R. Oliver. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Hayes  
Recorder