

Milford Harbor Management Commission

April 19, 2018

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Present:

Robert Brennan, Chairman
Ray Oliver, Vice Chairman
Nancy Bennett, Secretary
James Beard
Raymond Kirmaier
Dora Kubek
John Nevin
Robert Pacelli
Bruce Kurlya, Harbormaster
Ray Swift, Operations Director
Raymond Vitali, Board of Alderman
Bryan Anderson, Board of Alderman

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Absent:

Joseph Gilbert
Lee Henchman, Deputy Harbormaster
Nick Veccharelli, Board of Alderman

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

Consideration of the minutes of the regular meeting of March 15, 2018

R. Oliver made a motion to approve the minutes of 3/15/2018 seconded by J. Beard and carried unanimously.

Public Comments:

Park

Chairman's Report – R. Brennan

- The soils from the dredging are being stored temporarily at the D'Addario property and they are now working on the stone walls. J. Beard referred to a report by Milford Progress Yale Study regarding walkways and vistas along the Wepawaug River that addressed the area behind Jefferson, however, it was not included in the dredging project. He suggested maybe public works or Community Development may want to adopt the project. S. Johnson stated that he would look into and see what he could do.
- Briarpatch employees cleaned up Gulf Pond and are also going to do Housatonic Milford side too.
- Permit handling – copy will be kept on file and permit mailed out by Ray mails out.

Director's Report – R. Swift

- Bringing in seasonal help, starting to spruce up the grounds
- Install boat ramp floats tomorrow – needed moon tide
- Acknowledge public works sign department for making new signs that had been stolen
- New Credit Card system requires a designated computer and printer for reservations. He will work with MIS and Purchasing to acquire what is needed.
- Pull bubbler system out and turn the water on

- Memorial Garden – would like to get done. B. Brennan stated good Eagle Scout project. B. Anderson also had mentioned beautification committee. B. Anderson responded he will bring up next Beautification Committee meeting and get back to Ray.
- Bid came in for the re-decking project. R. Swift turned over to B. Kurlya, who explained the Bid Sheet results. He stated that the low bid was Stirling Marine, doing Epi decking. Commission needs to accept the bid and it will move on back to city and state. R. Swift explained that Community Development will be handling the project funds. R. Oliver questioned whether anything found during inspection is there allowance to have it fixed. B. Kurlya responded that Stirling was only bidder who did allow for that.
 - N. Bennett made a motion to accept Stirling Marine's proposal for the project. J. Nevin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Harbormaster's Report-B. Kurlya

- NOAA Fisheries wants to put anchor setups with a Go Pro to watch the fish on the west side of Charles Island near the oyster cages and the impact. He submitted an informational packet for the commission to look over.

Deputy Harbormaster's Report – L. Henchman- submitted via email

- All but 6 renewals paid in full
- 4 open deep water spots and 4 open shallow water spots as of April 15th
- 3 or 4 people inquired about moorings this past week with me

So I am hoping that about half the open spots will be rented prior to the start of the season, but not 100% sure at this point.

Permit Reviews

Steven Johnson presented explaining that additionally there will be outfall and drainage improvements, improve backflows and enhance public access:

- Crescent Beach – Beach Resiliency Project-nourishment and dune approximately 700 LF
 - N. Bennett made a motion to approve seconded by D. Kubek. The motion carried unanimously.
- Walnut/Wildemere Beach – Beach Resiliency Project – nourishment and dune approx. 5,000 LF
 - N. Bennett made a motion to approve seconded by J. Nevin. The motion carried unanimously.

Ray Swift presented:

- Village Marina – Dock Modification– changing to a water level floating dock
 - R. Oliver made a motion to approve with N. Bennett seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Report of Standing Committees

Milford Landing–None

Finance– R. Swift–

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| Checking | \$100,631.14 |
| Savings | <u>\$ 269,700.22</u> |
| Total | \$ 370,331.36 |

Nominating Committee –None

Harbor & Mooring-B. Kurlya

- R. Brennan stated that J. Gilbert contacted him regarding a C-flex sucked up by his commercial boat during low tide outside of the channel. He called the contractor and will pay for it. The issue he raised was liability to Harbor Commission.

Housatonic – B. Kurlya- None

Amendments - None

Correspondence: None

Old Business:

Pond dredging update– The dredging is complete and wall repairs not taking place. B. Kurlya questioned if post dredge survey has been done. S. Johnson responded not yet.

Channel Dredging– None

Ct. Port Authority – SHIPPS Grant – None

Shellfishing

- B. Pacelli stated the committee didn't meet, however, he would like to get a draft out from the committee around May 3rd or 10th so that they could get it to full commission for review so they could discuss at either May or June meeting.

New Business:

- D. Kubek questioned whether the Ethics Commission meeting was open to the public as the location was the Mayor's conference room. B. Brennan stated that he went, however, the meeting had not started before he left. J. Gilbert is still there.

Liaisons-Stratford – None

Alderman–None

Planning & Zoning - None

Motion to Adjourn

J. Beard made a motion to adjourn at 7:58 pm seconded by R. Oliver and carried unanimously. The meeting closed at 7:58 pm.

Beverly A. Hayes

Recorder