

# HOUSATONIC RIVER ESTUARY COMMISSION

## HREC Minutes

*~~Special~~ Regular meeting of the Housatonic River Estuary Commission  
Tuesday, January 24, 2012 meeting  
6:30 pm at, Connecticut*

*Amended: March 27, 2012*

### **1. Call to Order/Pledge Allegiance**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Gesullo at 7:03pm.

The members present were:

Lori Romick, Vice-Chairman Milford

Bob Gesullo, Chairman Shelton

Bill Rock, Commissioner Stratford

Scott Corner, Commissioner-At-Large Stratford

### **2. Public Portion (15minute limit per guest)**

No one from the public spoke. David Dulin attended the meeting.

### **3. Approval of the November Minutes**

A motion was made by Scott Corner to approve the November minutes with changes as suggested by Lori Romick. The motion was seconded by Lori Romick. All were in favor.

### **4. Finance Report** *(This section of the tape is hard to hear.)*

- Bob Gesullo put together a budget for 2012.
- He has submitted a request for \$500.00 along with the necessary paperwork and the year-end report to the Shelton Board of Aldermen for approval.

#### **Approval of Budget**

A motion was made by Bill Rock to approve the budget as written. The motion was seconded by Lori Romick. All were in favor.

## **5. Year-end Report Update**

The list of recipients is complete but needs to be approved by the commissioners.

There was a problem opening the report. This needs to be fixed and the list re-e-mailed to the commissioners for approval.

The list needs to go out ASAP.

## **6. Commissioner's Remarks**

### **Lori Romick**

- The State of the Sound report is complete.
- The Long Island Assembly report has been sent out.
- HREC has been invited to Sacred Heart University next Tuesday to attend a meeting. Lori will attend on behalf of HREC.
- Lori will meet with the new mayor of Milford on February 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Bill Rock**

#### **Update on Stratford "No Wake Zone"**

- Knapp's doesn't want to pay for the "No Wake Zone" improvements to the area of their fuel dock. This is unfortunate because the Housatonic River Estuary Commission, along with the Stratford Waterfront Commission, and the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) has put a lot of effort into trying to resolve this issue. The onus is now on the property owners to fix this situation.
- The Municipal Pier is now in phase two of three. The application has been sent to DEEP.

#### **Update of the Housatonic River Dredging**

- The final testing is done.
- All the information is going into the Army Corps of Engineers model that is due by the end of the month. Then there will be another meeting with DEEP. If all goes well the Army Corp of Engineers will be able to put in an application to dredge the river to DEEP. After that is done then it will be necessary to obtain funds for the project.
- Stratford Point

- A homeowner at Stratford Point wants to build a dock into Long Island Sound and repair a sea wall. The neighbors are in favor of fixing the sea wall.

### **Scott Corner**

#### **River Cleanup**

- There was a meeting last week about the river cleanup.
- The cleanup may be changed from the first Saturday in May to the last Saturday in April because of an expected high tide and full moon will put the boat ramp that's used for the cleanup under water.
- There is still no access to the State ramp.
- Lori will check on the possibility of using a pay loader at Caswell Cove or at Flagship and a dumpster.

### **Bob Gesullo**

#### **Wooster Island**

- It would be good if DEEP could add put up some speed markers.
- Bob will speak to Mayor Lauretti about the issue.

### **7. New Business**

There is no new business.

### **8. Old business**

Bob Gesullo will work on getting someone from Orange to take Jason Blake's place on the Commission.

### **9. Adjournment**

#### **Motion to Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made by Scott Corner. The motion was seconded by Bill Rock. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Kim Anglace, HREC Clerk*