

Milford Harbor Management Commission

August 17, 2017

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Present:

Vacant, Chairman
Robert Brennan, Vice Chairman
Nancy Bennett, Secretary
Raymond Kirmaier
Dora Kubek
John Nevin
Robert Pacelli
Ray Swift, Operations Director
Bruce Kurlya, Harbormaster
Lee Henchman, Deputy Harbormaster
Bryan Anderson, Alderman

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Absent:

James Beard
Ray Oliver
Brian Bier, Board of Alderman
Nick Veccharelli, Board of Alderman

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

Consideration of Minutes of July 20, 2017

J. Nevin made a motion to approve the minutes of July 20, 2017 seconded by R. Kirmaier. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: *None*

Chairman's Report: *None*

Nominating Committee Report: *None*

Director's Report – R. Swift

- Lobster Bake was success and now Oyster Festival this weekend.
- Memorial Garden bricks will be ordered as soon as activities slow at the landing. There will be lighting and the memorial will be in one central location.
- Financials from last year, broke even and that even included the mooring field expense so not too bad a year.
- Grounds look good, some of the crew leaving, however, a few remain through October.
- Sea Scouts sent a certificate in recognition of the Milford Landing's hospitality.

Harbormaster's Report-B. Kurlya

- Met with DEEP, Steven Johnson, Chris Saley to go over projects for general permitting, like the groin over by Gulf Beach, has rubble in the middle, looking to make a 160 ft. crescent shape to counter the wave action. The grant funds are there.
- DEEP came down to look at the Gulf Street widening near the curve, however, not a simple permit, and may take up to 7 months because cannot go under a general permit.

- Met with Steven Johnson and others regarding the Bayview Cove Nourishment, raising the street, the outfall pipes, to alleviate the flooding in the area

Permit Reviews:*None*

Report of Standing Committees

Milford Landing–*None*

Finance– R. Swift

Savings	\$ 269,342.82
Checking	\$ 132,975.74
Total	\$ 402,318.56

Harbor & Mooring–Lee Henchman

- Finished the Dive inspections on Tuesday and any with deficiencies were notified and it was posted on the website with the location.

Housatonic, Amendments

Correspondence: *None*

Old Business:B. Kurlya

- Pond Dredging –They will start at North Street Pond, City Hall Pond, Stonebridge Pond and lastly Eisenhower Park.
- Housatonic River Dredging – Scheduled for Fall.
- Channel Dredging –Army Core and DEEP now looking into disposal sites. Commission expressed concern over several boats running aground in the middle, near the Yacht Club. B. Kurlya offered to keep track of the boats run aground and location.
- CT Port Authority–SHIPS Grant.
- Shellfishing –The Harbor Commission made a motion last month to establish a Shellfish Commission to be the responsibility of the Harbor Commission. The areas they would like to start with would be Gulf Pond and the Housatonic Oyster Beds. They would like to use the Stratford Shellfish Commission as a model. Alderman Anderson asked if they looked into other area Shellfish Commissions. R. Brennan responded not yet, adding that other commissions would be worth looking at. Alderman Anderson suggested they draft something up and have City Attorney Jon Berchem look it over and then let him make a recommendation for an ordinance be given to the Board of Alderman.

New Business: *None*

Liaisons-Stratford: *None*

Alderman–Bryan Anderson

- He is Liaison for BOA to Public Works and is working on beautification of city and is looking for projects and offered help to the Memorial at the Landing. He explained recently the Chamber of Commerce was given some attention and Mr. Jadach from Milford Transit helped with the benches and plantings were donated and really came out nice.

Planning & Zoning - *None*

Motion to Adjourn

J. Nevin made a motion to adjourn at 7:30pm seconded by N. Bennett and motion carried unanimously.

The meeting closed at 7:30pm.

Beverly A. Hayes
Recorder