

## **Milford Harbor Management Commission**

December 14, 2017

### **Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Present:**

Robert Brennan, Chairman  
James Beard  
Joseph Gilbert  
Raymond Kirmaier  
John Nevin  
Ray Oliver, Vice Chairman  
Robert Pacelli  
Bruce Kurlya, Harbormaster  
Lee Henchman, Deputy Harbormaster  
Ray Vitali, Board of Alderman

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

Nancy Bennett, Secretary  
Dora Kubek  
Ray Swift, Operations Director  
Nick Veccharelli, Board of Alderman

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

### **Consideration of Minutes of November 16, 2017**

J. Beard made a motion to approve the minutes of November 16, 2017 seconded by R. Oliver. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comments:** *Life Boy Scout Tyler Goodwin was in attendance to observe the meeting as part of the requirements for his Citizenship of the Community Merit Badge.*

**Chairman's Report:** R. Brennan

- SHIPPs Grant money was approved by the Bond Commission for the Milford Harbor – Lisman Landing Marina Decking Replacement. The Board of Alderman voted to accept the funds from SHIPP Funds \$ 398,000 and The City of Milford Funds \$ 75,260 for a total of \$ 473,260 The Commission will need to vote on the acceptance of the funds as well. A motion to accept the funding was made by R. Oliver and seconded by J. Nevin and approved unanimously.

The equipment to dredge the North Street Pond is on both sides of the river and they are waiting to obtain screen mesh to retain the mud before they can start.

**Director's Report** – none

**Harbormaster's Report-** Bruce Kurlya

- He is working on the final paperwork for the Specs for the bid for marina decking project which will go out through the City Purchasing Department in approx.. 3 weeks. He handed out breakdown of the project for the commission to look over. The project must be complete by July 1, 2018. R. Vitali questioned the maintenance of the decking for which B. Kurlya responded that Ipe decking requires little maintenance.

**Permit Reviews:** *None*

**Report of Standing Committees**

Milford Landing–None

Finance– none

Harbor & Mooring – L. Henchman

- Renewals will go out for the Harbor and the River the 1<sup>st</sup> week of January.

Housatonic, Amendments– None

**Correspondence:** *R Swift*

**Old Business:**

- Pond Dredging – The area is under preparation and will start at the North Street Pond and work down towards back of Stonebridge. Dewatering will be done on site
- Housatonic River Dredging – The Housatonic dredging is completed with 300,000 cubic yards removed. There was some damage to the mooring fields and the dredging contractor offered to make good on any damage. Lee added that he will check on them in the Spring and follow up if repairs are required. The 7 nuns will be reset back to their locations. B. Kurlya added that the items in the channel turned out to be nothing more than a misunderstanding.
- Channel Dredging – J. Gilbert suggested that homeowners along the channel be notified of the dredging so they can get their property fronts done as well. B. Kurlya explained that they must get their own testing done and permits and have ready to make deal with the contractor dredging the channel. J. Gilbert offered to get names and addresses so that they can be notified.
- CT Port Authority – SHIPP Grant –
- Shellfishing – R. Oliver explained he has information to go over with the committee, ie statutes, Harbor Management Plan and mapping. This way the committee can determine if the Shellfish Commission should be stand alone or under the auspices of the Harbor Commission. Also discussion regarding getting back the acreage from the state with the help of the State Representatives. The committee consisting of R Oliver, J. Gilbert and R. Kirmaier will look over everything and bring it back to the commission.
- Police and Fire Boats – *None*.

**New Business:** *None*

**Liaisons-Stratford:** *None*

**Alderman** – Ray Vitali stated that he looks forward to being a liaison to the Commission

**Planning & Zoning** - *None*

**Motion to Adjourn**

J. Beard made a motion to adjourn at 7:44 pm seconded by J. Gilbert and carried unanimously.

The meeting closed at 7:44 pm.

Beverly A. Hayes

Recorder