

Milford Harbor Management Commission

February 18, 2016

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Present:

Robert Post, Chairman
Nancy Bennett, Secretary
Robert Brennan, Vice Chairman
James Beard
Raymond Kirmaier
Dora Kubek
Bruce Kurlya, Harbormaster
John Nevin
Ray Oliver
Robert Pacelli
Ray Swift, Operations Director
Lee Henschman, Deputy Harbormaster

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Absent:

Brian Bier, Board of Alderman
Nick Veccharelli, Board of Alderman

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

Consideration of Minutes of January 21, 2016

R. Brennan made a motion to approve the minutes of January 21, 2016 seconded by J. Nevin. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments:

Sharon & Paul Joslin, 7 Warren Street, Bayview, came to hear information about the dredging and the dumping site located off the beach. See Chairman's Report.

Chairman's Report— R. Post

R. Post stated two Oystermen submitted their comments regarding the location of the dumping site. The material being removed from the 10 ft. channel is approximately 14,000 yards of clean sandy material suitable for beach replenishment. The Army Corps Currituck is self-contained, removes the material from the channel, and dumps at the disposal site that is located between the two Points. B. Kurlya added that the cost to dump on the beach is astronomical compared to off shore dumping. R. Brennan explained the material is placed just off shore. R. Post added that this has taken over 3 years to get to this point. If the permit is delayed, the dredging will not take place this year.

Director's Report – R. Swift

- Finance approved the transfer request for the patio repair. It will be sent to the Board of Alderman.
- Ice Eaters are better than expected and cover a large area.
- Budget was presented to Finance Board and no issues were raised.

Harbormaster's Report—B. Kurlya

- Invoices went out and the money is coming in for the moorings and racks.

Permit Reviews– R. Post

- EPA issued a Public Notice on Long Island Sound Dredging Material Management Plan (DMMP) comments due by March 18.
- House Bill 78, regarding dredging and disposal sites. It is in direct conflict with the Army Corps, Dredging Material Management Plan that has both EPA and DEEPs approvals. B. Kurlya will be attending the hearing in Hartford.
- Oyster landing – DEEP issued a dredging permit, dredging window is between May 15 – June 30 & September 1st – January 31st
- North East Rail corridor one proposal, alternative #14 has a tunnel across the sound coming through Milford.

Report of Standing Committees

Milford Landing–none

Finance– R. Swift

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| Savings | \$268,538.09 |
| Checking | <u>\$116,770.24</u> |
| Total | \$385,308.33 |

Harbor & Mooring–none

Housatonic–Lee Henschman

- There are openings for a few smaller boats

Amendments–none

Correspondence: *none*

Old Business:

Pond Dredging- *none*

Milford Harbor Federal Channel Dredging –see Chairman’s report.

New Business:

Liaisons-Stratford – *none*

Alderman–

Motion to Adjourn

N. Bennett made a motion to adjourn at 7:30seconded byR. Brennan and carried unanimously. The meeting closed at7:30pm.

Beverly A. Hayes
Recorder

