

Milford Harbor Management Commission
January 21, 2016

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Present:

Robert Post, Chairman
Nancy Bennett, Secretary
Robert Brennan, Vice Chairman
Raymond Kirmaier
Dora Kubek
John Nevin
Ray Oliver
Robert Pacelli
Ray Swift, Operations Director
Lee Henschman, Deputy Harbormaster
Bryan Anderson, Board of Alderman

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Absent:

James Beard
Bruce Kurlya, Harbormaster
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 December 17, 2015

R. Oliver made a motion to approve the minutes of December 17, 2015 seconded by N. Bennett. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: *None*

Chairman's Report – R. Post

- DEEP issued the channel dredging 30 day public notice on January 18, 2016. Letters of support can be sent to DEEP c/o Sue Jacobson. The permit gives a window between May 15 – June 30th and Sept. 30 – April 1st. Fisheries submitted comments to the Army Corps and area was re-located, the new location was surveyed and samples were taken. This is for the 10 ft. outer channel with a near shore disposal site of approximately 14,000 yards of clean sandy material.

Nominating Committee Report – N. Bennett

- The slate of officers from the committee were voted in unanimously as follows:
 - R. Post, Chairman
 - R. Brennan – Vice Chairman
 - N. Bennett – Secretary

Director's Report – R. Swift

- Reservations are coming in for the big events. 4th of July has become a big event due to the fireworks.
- Landscape could use some work this coming season.

- Bubbler System is in and Ice Eaters are here, but the winter hasn't been too bad yet. He did put the plow on the truck today for the upcoming snow.
- Mailed out bills on the 15th and they should start coming in.
- Paul Piscitelli from Recreation contacted him regarding kayak racks that Public Works built and he is looking for spot at Gulf Beach. Ray will take a look at the design.

Harbormaster's Report- *L. Henschman*

- Housatonic Boat Club will be submitting their mooring reservations.
- Boatwise from Massachusetts was here last week for two day launch operator course in the Coast Guard Building.

Permit Reviews- *R. Post*

- Housatonic River – cleaning up the marsh, opening the channels
- Silver Sands – buoys for swim area
- Oyster Landing – dredging permit

Report of Standing Committees

Milford Landing–*none*

Finance– *R. Swift*

Savings	\$268,492.60
Checking	<u>\$ 118,562.30</u>
Total	\$ 387,054.90

Harbor & Mooring–

Housatonic, Amendments– *none*

2016 Harbor Commission Standing Committees

Nominating Committee: Jim Beard, Nancy Bennett

Amendments, Jim Beard, Ray Oliver

Finance, Bob Brennan, Nancy Bennett

Harbor & Mooring, Bob Pacelli, Bob Brennan

Housatonic, Ray Kirmaier, Dora Kubek

Lisman Landing, Ray Oliver, John Nevin

Correspondence: *R. Swift*

- Thank you card from the Eagle Scout Gazebo refurbishment

Old Business:

Pond Dredging- R. Swift stated that he saw them surveying the ponds. R. Post added that Fuss & O'Neill did the study, the City has bonded the project and is in the permit process.

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

New Business:

- R. Post stated the patio should be started soon (weather permitting) and Public Works Director told him to appropriate funding for approx. \$25,000. R. Post asked for motion to appropriate

\$30,000 towards the patio as he feels we don't know what they will find once they start removing the bluestone.

N. Bennett made a motion to appropriate \$30,000 in conjunction with Public Works repair of the patio. R. Oliver seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

- R. Post stated that when the Pilot funds were lost 4 years ago, R. Swift offered to freeze his wages voluntarily. R. Post would like to reinstate his pay going forward to the budgeted amount. R. Oliver made a motion to reinstate the raises to the amount allowed in the budget, with R. Brennan seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Liaisons-Stratford – *none*

Alderman– Bryan Anderson

- Alderman Anderson requested the Commission's feedback as to the pending trailer ordinance for on-street trailers. Discussion ensued.

Motion to Adjourn

J. Nevin made a motion to adjourn at 7:40 seconded by R. Brennan and carried unanimously. The meeting closed at 7:40pm.

Beverly A. Hayes
Recorder