

Milford Harbor Management Commission

June 15, 2017

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Present:

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

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Absent:

Robert Brennan, Vice Chairman
James Beard
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 May 18, 2017

J. Nevin made a motion to approve the minutes of May 18, 2017 seconded by R Oliver. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: *None*

Chairman's Report—R. Post

- Welcome to Boy Scout Jack Albert working on his merit badge
- Coast Guard came out and moved Nun R6A in and R8 out after a boat had run aground and mariners notified that it was off, and finally a phone call to them. Looks much better since they took care of this, however, the temporary one needs replacement.
- Army Core was testing for end of channel dredging, lots of federal money for shovel ready projects. B. Kurlya asked the Army Core to put them in the queue, however, may need Blumenthal & Murphy to help push it along. This would dredge the inner harbor and the federal anchorage.
- SHIPS Grant – two proposals – Bridge removal got shot down, however, the dock repairs, redecking, were approved for funding. Changes were made along the way, back and forth regarding matching funds, so Ray, Bruce and Bob worked on some numbers and it will go to the Bond Commission. Approximately \$398,000.
- Julie Nash, Community Development Coordinator would like to have a Mayor's Regatta showcasing the 17 miles of shoreline. Discussion ensued regarding fitting into the already busy event schedule along with economic benefits impact. J. Nevin volunteered to reach out to her on behalf of commission.

Director's Report – R. Swift

- Father's Day unofficial kickoff weekend, buy one night stay and get two nights. Weather should be good and expecting good turnout.

- Memorial Day was good and puts the Landing in the black for fiscal year end.
- Speed buoys are out along with the private red nun.
- Rack outside the landing with yellow life jackets provided by Neil from Seatow. They are offered for lending and based on honor system, in infant, child and adult sizes. Good location for people visiting those with boats at landing as most boaters already have them.
- Grounds are in good shape.
- Sample brick to honor past commissioners and donors.

Harbormaster's Report- B. Kuryla

- Kayak racks located at Gulf Beach and Walnut Beach, rent for \$125, for year. First renter at Gulf Beach, lock broken and kayak stolen. Will see if Recreation can find better location so this doesn't happen. They did refund the money.

Permit Reviews - *None*

Report of Standing Committees

Milford Landing–*None*

Finance– R. Swift

Savings	\$ 269,252.81
Checking	\$ 67,503.51
Total	\$ 336,756.32

Harbor & Mooring - *None*

Housatonic, Amendments- *L. Henchman*

- Moorings are full and chain changes for owners
- Spoke with Ray and Bruce and would like to piggyback on the Housatonic dredging which would get him back 10 lost moorings. He submitted information depicting where the locations were in Row A and C. B. Post seemed to think the permit may need revising. B. Kuryla will try to see who he can contact to see if this could be done.

Correspondence: *None*

Old Business: R. Post

- Pond Dredging – Set to begin in August. 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 crew was testing.
- CT Port Authority – SHIPS Grant - See Chairman's Report. – D. Kubek handed out extra copies of the presentation to the commission. They were left behind after the meeting.
- N. Bennett mentioned that they are still having problems with fishing off the Town Dock causing damage to boats nearby. She was asked to mention it again to see if there is anything that can be done. Signage has been posted and not entirely unique to just that spot.

New Business: *None*

Liaisons-Stratford – *None*

Alderman – *None*

Planning & Zoning - *None*

Motion to Adjourn

D. Kubek made a motion to adjourn at 7:49 pm seconded by N. Bennett and carried unanimously. The meeting closed at 7:49 pm.

Beverly A. Hayes
Recorder