

Milford Harbor Management Commission

October 15, 2015

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Present:

Robert Post, Chairman
Robert Brennan, Vice Chairman
Nancy Bennett, Secretary
Raymond Kirmaier
John Nevin
Robert Pacelli
Ray Swift, Operations Director
Bruce Kurlya, Harbormaster
Lee Henchman, Deputy Harbormaster
Brian Anderson, Board of Alderman

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Absent:

James Beard
Ray Oliver
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 September 17, 2015

J. Nevin made a motion to approve the minutes of September 17, 2015 seconded by R. Brennan and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: *None*

Chairman's Report – R. Post

- Open house at the fisheries from 9-1 October 17th
- Long Island Sound Dredge Materials Management Plan – New York in opposition, Connecticut in favor. J. Beard sent a letter in support.
- Harbor Dredging – Army Corps issued a Public notice responses are due by Oct. 24th. N. Bennett and Ed Garlick sent letter in support.
- Shellfish beds maps are available on from DEEP
- R. Post, B. Kurlya met with Mayor and C. Saley also the Chairman of Bayview Beach Board to explain the near shore dumping site off Bayview Beach and addressed their concerns over the articles in the newspaper regarding Milford Dredging Plan. B. Kurlya added that there may be Federal money for the dredging and we are looking at 14,000 yards and anything under the 50,000 yards New York cannot stop. R. Post added probably will not be done this year as, CT DEEP has not signed off on it yet. B. Kurlya added that there was an 8 year study considering the effects of near shore dumping and beach nourishment. The Core, EPA & DEEP found them equal.
- He attended and judged the river lights parade that took place on the river over by Stratford Boat Ramp. Lots of people and done very nicely, 2 weeks ago under the full moon.

Director's Report – R. Swift

- NESN Channel aired their show highlighting the harbor and the city on Monday at 6:30 p.m. It will air again on Sunday 12:30. R. Kirmaier suggested that a link for the show be placed on the website.
- Board of Alderman approved funding for the DeIcers, will have to go through Finance for the Purchase Order.
- Columbus Day official end to season at harbor.
- Budget packets came out this week for the 2016-2017 budget. He will try to keep the same budget.
- Patio is still scheduled for repair with Public works covering most of the cost, however, he will let the Commission know if they will have to vote to kick in some funds to offset the cost of the repairs.
- Currently cutting down the flowers, getting the bubbler system in. He added that he tries to leave a dock in across the way for the fishermen.

Harbormaster's Report- B. Kurlya

Permit Reviews- R. Post –

- 13 James Street – single family dwelling
- Dredging Permit – signed Army Corps paperwork and sent out.

Report of Standing Committees

Milford Landing – none

Finance- R. Swift

Savings \$ 268,357.28

Checking \$ not available

Harbor & Mooring- none

Housatonic, Amendments- L. Henchman

- H.B.C Hauled 42 boats. There are only 8 moorings left to be hauled and inspected.

Correspondence: R. Swift

Old Business:

Pond Dredging

- R. Post stated that the City has been bonded for the pond dredging which will start at Eisenhower and the work down the river which now includes all 4 ponds.

Milford Harbor Federal Channel Dredging

- See Chairman's report.

New Business: None

Motion to Adjourn

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

Beverly A. Hayes
Recorder