

Milford Harbor Management Commission
September 17, 2015

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Present:

Robert Post, Chairman
Robert Brennan, Vice Chairman
Nancy Bennett, Secretary
James Beard
Raymond Kirmaier
Ray Oliver
Robert Pacelli
Alan Waterman
Ray Swift, Operations Director
Lee Henschman, Deputy Harbormaster

Board Members, Liaisons & Staff Absent:

John Nevin
Bruce Kurlya, Harbormaster – Harbor Commission Business – Army Corps meeting
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 August 20, 2015

J. Beard made a motion to approve the minutes of August 20, 2015 seconded by R. Kirmaier and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: *None*

Chairman's Report – R. Post

- Alan Waterman submitted his letter of resignation, for which the board members expressed their thanks for his dedication and his invaluable service to the Commission.
- B. Kurlya is attending the Army Corps meeting L.I.S. Dredge Material Management Plan tonight in New Haven on behalf of Commission.
- N. Bennett, B. Brennan and R. Post attended Sr. Center breakfast with Senator Christopher Murphy both him and Senator Richard Blumenthal are in favor of the Corps (L.I.S. Dredge Material Management Plan). He suspects the opposition may be coming from New York. J. Beard added that he read article in Connecticut Post about the Sewage Treatment Filtration Plant and their effects on the sound.
- Silver Sands meeting regarding the upgrades is October 6th at 6:30, prior is the site visit at 4:30.
- NOAA is having an open house on October 17th from 9 to 1.
- The Army Corps is scheduled for dredging this season, pending EPA and DEEP approval and the proposed site will be near shore, so the natural current will bring it to shore. (Sampling has tested the material “clean” and suitable for a near shore sit). The permit when issued should good for 7 years and he is hoping maintenance dredging can be done during that period under that permit.

Director's Report – R. Swift

- Four more good weekends coming up with the Irish Festival, Oktoberfest and Columbus Day being the unofficial end of season. The marina is running good and still has crew for the weekends.
- Breaking down the bubbler system for maintenance and repair of the piping. He added that he would like to purchase with the Commission approval deicers, the propeller type which can be moved around to assist with the bubbler system. He received a quote for approx \$471/each plus the adapter and requires a fund transfer for the Board of Alderman to vote on.

Chairman Post called for a motion for the purchase of up to 12 deicers. R. Oliver made a motion to approve the purchase with R. Brennan seconding the motion and it carried unanimously.

- The patio is on schedule to be fixed after Columbus Day.

Harbormaster's Report-B. Kurlya

Permit Reviews– R. Post - None

Report of Standing Committees

Milford Landing–none

Finance– R. Swift

<i>Savings</i>	\$ 268,313.17
<i>Checking</i>	<u>\$ 199,369.92</u>
<i>Total</i>	\$ 467,683.09

Harbor & Mooring-

Housatonic, Amendments- L. Henchman

- L. Henchman submitted his mooring inspection report explaining that it is located on the website. He explained that overall they were all in good condition. Those that were not in good condition, the owners were notified so they could repair them.
- There are four people on the waiting list already for next year.

Correspondence: R. Swift

Old Business:

- Pond Dredging Update – *None*
- Milford Harbor Federal Channel Dredging Update –see Chairman's Report.
- New Port Authority
 - R. Kirmaier submitted questions to the State Representatives who will need time to research the answers and bring them back to the Commission. He will let the Commission know when they can attend a Harbor Commission meeting.

New Business:

- R. Kirmaier submitted a letter from Mary Bayers, whose husband served on the Harbor Commission back in the 1990's. She requested in her letter that a plaque be placed in his honor around the flagpole with other past members. R. Swift stated that he would see that the plaque is

made, asked if Commissioner Bayers dates on the Commission are known so they can be added to the plaque.

Motion to Adjourn

J. Beard made a motion to adjourn seconded by N. Bennett. The meeting closed at 7:35pm.

Beverly A. Hayes
Recorder