



**TOWN OF WESTBROOK**  
HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES FROM APRIL 28, 2020**  
**WESTBROOK HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION**

**6:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)**  
**Virtual Meeting**

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**Attendance/Roll Call:** John Rie, Chairman; A. Calderoni, Lee McNamar, Gary Nolf, Harry Plaut, Harbormaster; Ronny Stevenson

**Members Absent:** Evan Cusson, Vice Chair; Dean Artkop, Bob Charrette, Tom Fahey, Dave Russell, Assistant Harbormaster

**Call to order:** J. Rie called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**Bills to be paid:**

**Motion to** approve the time sheet for Kathleen King for \$163.33 was made by R. Stevenson; seconded by A. Calderoni. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

**Minutes: February 25, 2020**

**Motion to** approve the meeting minutes of February 25, 2020 as presented was made by R. Stevenson; seconded by A. Calderoni. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

**Correspondence:**

There was no correspondence.

**Harbormaster's Report:**

H. Plaut reported that the porta potty was ordered and will be placed at the Town Dock in the first week of May.

The moorings will be put in next week as well as the rock buoys and the red buoy. H. Plaut is working on getting the piling for channel marker #8 replaced.

**Chairman's Report:**

The Chairman's comments will be discussed as part of each agenda item.

**Old Business:**

**1. Patchogue River Moorings**

**a. Installation Plan**

**b. Number vacant, number paid**

Six Patchogue River moorings have been paid for, and there has been one request for another mooring.

**2. Beach moorings**

**a. Number paid**

There were three beach mooring applications received with no checks. There are eleven moorings that have been paid for. H. Plaut has taken in \$1,720.00, which includes the 6 Patchogue River mooring rentals. He mailed those checks to the Tax Collector. He spoke with the Town Clerk today. She said there was not a lot of mail received, but she will mail what is in the Harbormaster's town mailbox to him.

All the decals for the paid beach moorings have been mailed out.

**b. Plans for in-person beach mooring permit renewals**

There were dates reserved for May and June in-person mooring renewals. The Town Hall is currently closed. HMC members agreed to wait until the Town Hall re-opens before they decide on moving the dates.

**3. Rock and Marker Buoys**

J. Rie asked H. Plaut how much it would cost approximately to replace the rock buoys. He said his estimate would be \$1,200.00 to \$1,300.00.

R. Stevenson said that there are brand new buoys at the Town Transfer Station, and there is also a brand-new buoy at Harry's Marine. H. Plaut will go to the Transfer Station and to Harry's Marine sometime this week to see what is in storage at both locations.

H. Plaut said that all the Patchogue River moorings are ready to go. 6A is ready to go, and the rock buoys are in good shape. He said he needs to stencil the numbers on them.

#### **4. Navigation Channel Entrance**

R. Stevenson explained that there is a lot of sand that has filled in at the entrance of the Patchogue River Channel at Red marker Buoy #6. That sand could easily be removed by an excavator from the beach and used for beach replenishment at the Pilots Point beach around the corner from #6. That would accomplish two things: removing the sand which is beginning to fill in the navigation channel, and give Pilots Point Beach Association clean sand for beach replenishment. The President of Pilot's Point would have to be consulted, but if he wanted to, he could have the excavated sand placed at the beach in front of Pilot's Point. They would have to check to see if the current dredging permit for the Patchogue River could be used or if they would have to apply for another dredging permit. A. Calderoni agreed to consult with the president of Pilot's Point to determine his association's interest/.

#### **5. Status of current year budget, planned expenditures**

J. Rie reported that if you add the deposit of \$1,720.00 recently made by H. Plaut, to what has left in last year's mooring maintenance budget, there is now a total of \$3,211.00 for mooring maintenance.

H. Plaut suggested the HMC consider putting Covid 19 signage at the entrance to the channel. HMC members discussed it, and at this point, they would like to hold off on that depending upon what the Town decides.

J. Rie said that next year's HMC budget was approved as submitted. The HMC capital budget request was approved as well. The budget will be going to a final virtual public hearing on 4/29/2020.

**New Business:** None

## **Adjournment**

**Motion** to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. was made R. Stevenson; seconded by G. Nolf. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Kathleen King*  
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Recording Clerk