



TOWN OF WESTBROOK
HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

UNAPPROVED MINUTES FROM MAY 26, 2020
WESTBROOK HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

Attendance/Roll Call: John Rie, Chairman; Evan Cusson, Vice Chair; Dean Artkop, Andy Calderoni, Tom Fahey, Gary Nolf, Ronny Stevenson and Harry Plaut, Harbormaster

Excused Absences: Bob Charrette and Lee McNamar

Meeting Guests: David Provencher, Coastline Consulting

Call to order: J. Rie called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Harbormaster's Report:

H. Plaut reported that he placed the Patchogue River moorings on 5/15/20; 3 no wake buoys and a rock marker. Assistant Harbormaster Dave Russell rode in the police boat and went with him.

H. Plaut will revise the layout of the Patchogue River moorings and place one 1 rock buoy and 1 more no wake buoy on 5/30/2020 working again with D. Russell and the police boat.

Chairman's Report:

There was nothing new to report.

Motion to add Discussion of Docks at Old Mail Trail Lot #59 and 215 Old Mail Trail Lot #62 to tonight's agenda was made by E. Cusson; seconded by G. Nolf. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed

Discussion of Docks at Old Mail Trail Lot #59 and 215 Old Mail Trail lot #62

There was a discussion about the 215 Old Mail Trail dock being further into the river than before, and the fact that the Westbrook Harbor Management Plan allows a float to be located up

to 25% of the channel width. The dock at 215 Old Mail Trail has a float which is 10'10" away from the 25% channel width line. David Provencher stated that the reason the float is being relocated there is because the new property owners wanted to correct a situation where the existing dock float is resting on the bottom at low tide, a violation of DEEP rules.

Motion to state that both the dock at 215 Old Mail Trail and the dock at Old Mail Trail Lot # 59 meet the requirements of the Westbrook Harbor Management Plan was made by E. Cusson; seconded by G. Nolf. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Patchogue River Moorings:

There are currently 8 people who have paid the maintenance fee for moorings this season, and the Harbormaster has reported that 10 are installed. Further discussion revealed that the moorings are not placed correctly, and the Harbormaster will correct that on 5/29/20 when he places the no wake and rock buoys. There are currently 5 available moorings, and additional moorings will be installed as necessary to accommodate newly paid people.

Beach Moorings

Thus far, 18 permits have been issued. There is a lag in issuance, since the Town Hall is closed, and mooring permit applications are mailed to the Town Hall, then forwarded to the Harbormaster for approval and issuance. Since the Town Hall is closed, no in-person applications can be accommodated. Harry Plaut agreed that his email address, hsplautenvironmentalcompany@yahoo.com could be used to email mooring applications.(This was done in correspondence immediately after the HMC meeting).

Old Business

The monthly printout of the HMC budget was not available, thus the status of the budget could not be discussed.

Andy Calderoni stated that he had spoken with the VP of the Pilots Point Beach Association, and that they did not have any interest in investigating dredging sand near #56 channel marker and relocating that sand to their beach.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 6:34 p.m. was made R. Stevenson; seconded by A. Calderoni. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen King
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Recording Clerk for John Rie since Kathleen was not in attendance at the meeting.