



**TOWN OF WESTBROOK**  
HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES FROM APRIL 23, 2019**  
**WESTBROOK HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION**

**Attendance/Roll Call:** John Rie, Chairman; Evan Cusson, Vice Chair; Harry Plaut, Harbormaster Ex Officio Member; Bob Charrette, Lee McNamar, Gary Nolf, Ronny Stevenson and Andy Calderoni

**Excused Absences:** Bill Angelini, Tom Fahey

**Call to order:** J. Rie called the meeting to order and led the “Pledge of Allegiance” at 6:00 p.m.

**Bills to be paid:** There were no bills to be paid.

**Minutes: March 26, 2019**

**Motion to** approve the meeting minutes of March 26, 2019 as presented was made by R. Stevenson; seconded by E. Cusson. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

**Correspondence:**

There was no new correspondence.

**Harbormaster’s Report:**

H. Plaut brought a copy of the 2019 Connecticut Boating Safety Enforcement Manual for the Commission as well as copies of the Connecticut Boaters Guide for 2019 and new State CT DEEP Vessel Identification Stickers to be used for kayaks and paddleboards. The identification stickers are seen as a valuable tool in search and rescue efforts because they contain contact information for the vessel owners who can then be reached right away to ask if the kayak or paddleboard drifted away or if a search and rescue effort is necessary.

H. Plaut said he will bring both the Boater’s Guides and the kayak and paddleboard identification stickers to the beach associations and to the mooring registration sessions.

H. Plaut has sorted and organized records from previous Harbormaster Bruce Lawrence, and the beach mooring records are now current.

Buoys for hazard markers have been picked up from the Town Garage. Shackles, swivels and other items need to be picked up from R. Stevenson who has them stored at his house.

H. Plaut reported that State law requires that mooring buoys be white with a blue stripe. This requirement will be written into the revised mooring regulations for next season.

H. Plaut invited Commissioners to attend a public hearing on the Blue Plan for the use of Long Island Sound on Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Vicki Duffy Pavilion located at Saybrook Point, 155 College Street, Old Saybrook.

### **Chairman's Report:**

There was no Chairman's Report.

### **New Business:**

#### **1. Dredging -update**

J. Rie reported that dredging is scheduled to begin on Thursday, June 6, 2019.

#### **2. Discussion of Patchogue Moorings – update**

H. Plaut is still in the process of organizing the records for the Patchogue River Moorings. Three moorings are still available for the 2019 season.

#### **3. Beach Mooring Discussion – update**

A. Calderoni has prepared letters for all of the 2018 beach mooring permit holders to remind them to renew their moorings and to inform them about the option to renew their moorings at the Town Hall, in person, on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

J. Rie brought the letters to the Town Hall to be mailed out.

After a discussion, it was decided that a second “in person” mooring registration option would be a good idea. They chose Thursday, June 13, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. L. McNamar offered to arrange to have the registration sessions posted on the electronic sign in front of Town Hall.

A. Calderoni asked that H. Plaut attend the first seasonal mooring meeting of the Council of Beaches on Monday, May 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. H. Plaut said he would be happy to attend.

#### **4. Harbor Entrance Sign – update**

A. Calderoni brought a printout of the current harbor entrance sign to Computer Signs. A new sign has been designed that is more clear with less detail making it easier to read

The current sign will be taken down by R. Stevenson. He will bring it to computer signs, and they will re-image the white area of the sign with the new sign design.

A. Calderoni will find out what the sign will cost, and money from this year's budget can be used to pay for it. Hopefully, the sign will be completed by June.

H. Plaut suggested using US Coast Guard reflective lettering for the sign. A. Calderoni said he will get more information about that.

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

### **Adjournment**

**Motion** to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. was made by G. Nolf; seconded by R. Stevenson. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Kathleen King*

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Recording Clerk

