



TOWN OF WESTBROOK
HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

UNAPPROVED MINUTES FROM JUNE 25, 2019
WESTBROOK HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

Attendance/Roll Call: Evan Cusson, Vice Chair; Harry Plaut, Harbormaster Ex Officio Member; Bill Angelini, Bob Charrette, Tom Fahey, Lee McNamar, Gary Nolf, Ronny Stevenson and Andy Calderoni

Excused Absences: John Rie, Chairman; and Dave Russell, Assistant Harbormaster

Guests Present: Howard “Bud” Kane

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

Bills to be paid:

Motion to pay Harry’s Marine Repair \$15.00 for bolts was made by G. Nolf; seconded by B. Angelini. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Motion to reimburse Harry Plaut \$14.45 for postage for mailing out mooring stickers for the mooring balls was made by R. Stevenson; seconded by L. McNamar. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Motion to pay H. S. Platt Environmental \$400.00 for pulling 4 moorings in front of Grove Beach was made by G. Nolf; seconded by B. Angelini. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Motion to approve the time sheet for Kathleen King for \$136.08 was made by B. Charrette; seconded by T. Fahey. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Computer Signs was paid \$413.65 for the remake of the Harbor Entrance Sign.

Lighthouse Signs was paid \$450.00 for 150 mooring violation stickers at \$3.00 each.

Motion to pay Olsen Sanitation \$85.00 for the porta potty for June was made by A. Calderoni; seconded by T. Fahey. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

There was a deposit of \$240.00 made on 6/18/2019 for mooring permits.

Minutes: May 28, 2019

Motion to approve the meeting minutes of May 28, 2019 as presented was made by R. Stevenson; seconded by B. Fahey. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Correspondence:

A letter dated 6/13/2019 was received from Doane Engineering regarding an application for Lori Solomon of 187 Old Main Trail for drainage improvements. This will be tabled until more information is obtained.

Also an application for a Certificate of Permission dated 6/15/2019 was received from Fedus Engineering for replacement of an existing groin, same kind, same configuration at 162 Little Stannard Beach Road. This Certificate was approved by the CT DEEP. There was a Harbor Management Commission DEEP Permit Consultation Form that the HMC needs to sign to show this is consistent with Westbrook's Harbor Management Plan.

Motion to determine that the work described in Part 1 and the attachment for the replacement of an existing groin at 162 Little Stannard Beach Road is consistent with the Westbrook Harbor Management Plan was made by R. Stevenson; seconded by B. Fahey. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed. E. Cusson will mail the original signed copy to Fedus Engineering.

There were 2 bounced checks received from the same individual for mooring permits. H. Plaut will contact that individual to request return check fees for the Town of Westbrook and to ask for payment for the mooring registrations.

Harbormaster's Report:

There were 4 return notices for mooring registration paperwork. H. Plaut will update the mooring spreadsheet to reflect the address corrections.

J. Rie and E. Cusson met with H. Plaut to discuss pulling abandoned moorings. June 13, 2019 was another mooring permit registration night. Two people came in to register. H. Plaut has pulled 9 abandoned moorings to date. He handed out 2 violation stickers. 43 moorings have been officially registered, and 10 are in process for a total of 53 registered moorings. There are also moorings from the Patchogue River registered which total approximately 63 registered moorings in total.

There was discussion about pulling moorings and the issuance of violation stickers which will begin after July 15, 2019 as per the letter that was sent from the HMC to mooring holders. H.

Plaut charges \$100.00 to pull each mooring. After July 15, 2019, he will put out the violation stickers. People have 3 weeks from when they get the violation sticker to become compliant.

Chairman's Report:

J. Rie sent a report stating that H. Plaut has instructions to pull up to 21 additional moorings which are either dangerous, first priority, or unregistered. H. Plaut was planning to pull those moorings on Saturday, June 29, 2019, and Dave Russell will be in the police boat that day. This expense will leave about \$90.00 in the Harbor Management Commission's budget which expires June 30, 2019. As of July 1, 2019, the new fiscal year begins, and any money left over after all of the invoices prior to July 1, 2019 are paid.

1. Dredging -update

J. Rie reported that dredging is complete. They are awaiting final charting of the results. The piling #6 marker could not be removed. They dredged around it as best as they could. There's been discussion about having Currituck return with the Army Corps of Engineers as it is probable that the entire channel will probably need to be dredged in 5-8 years. The lawsuit involving the Long Island Sound dredge disposal sites, particularly the New London site, is expected to be resolved this summer. The fate of the Cornfield Shoals site is undetermined.

2. Discussion of Patchogue Moorings – update

Mooring #10 needs to be numbered. There needs to be a number and location map of the boats.

3. Beach Mooring Discussion – update

There have been 63 moorings registered, and there were 9 abandoned.

4. Harbor Entrance Sign – update

As reported above under bills, the Harbor Entrance Sign has been completed, and the bill has been paid in full.

Old Business:

There was no Old Business.

New Business:

There was no New Business.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 6:50 p.m. was made T. Fahey; seconded by R. Stevenson. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.

The Harbor Management Commission does not meet in July.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen King

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Recording Clerk