

# ESSEX HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION



**Town of Essex  
29 West Avenue  
Essex, CT 06426**

**Regular Meeting  
Thursday, July 24, 2014  
Meeting Room B**

## **1. Call to Order**

Chairman Jeff Going called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Essex Harbor Management Commission to order at 7:32 p.m.

## **2. Attendance**

### **Members Present**

- Jeff Going, Chairman
- Wally Schieferdecker, Vice Chairman
- Joe Zaraschi

### **Others Present**

- Doug Domenie, Brewer Dauntless Shipyard & Marina
- Buddy Hitchcock, Deputy Harbor Master
- Betsy McLaughlin, Clerk
- Paul Riggio, Harbor Master

## **3. Approval of 6/26/14 Meeting Minutes**

The June 26, 2014 meeting minutes were reviewed.

***Motion: Wally Schieferdecker moved to approve the June 26, 2014 meeting minutes as amended and as noted below. Joe Zaraschi seconded the motion; 3-0-0 motion unanimously approved.***

Amendments are as follows:

Under No. 5. Financial Report, change "The Financial Report **for** skipped..." to "The Financial Report **was** skipped..."

Under No. 6. Harbor Master Report, third line of Motion: Change from "No overnite, dock only, EHMC" to "No overnite docking, EHMC."

## **4. Public Comment**

**None.**

## 5. Financial Report

Chairman Jeff Going presented the July 24, 2014 Treasurer's report in Treasurer Walter Wiegert's absence.

***Motion: Joe Zaraschi moved to accept the July 24, 2014 Treasurer's Report. Wally Schieferdecker seconded the motion; 3-0-0 motion approved.***

Jeff Going presented one invoice for approval:

- Betsy McLaughlin, Clerk - \$258.49 for July 2014 Clerk services.

***Motion: Wally Schieferdecker moved to approve the invoice as presented. Joe Zaraschi seconded the motion; 3-0-0 motion unanimously approved.***

## 6. Harbor Master Report

Harbor Master Paul Riggio provided the Harbor Master Report as follows.

Wait List Requests:

- Greg Peterson, Meadows, Check dated 6/25/14;
- Ian Neviaser, Main, Check dated 7/8/14;
- John Amendola, Main, Check dated 7/9/14.

At the trial that Paul attended on the Hargrove matter on May 28, 2014, an agreement was reached to plead guilty to the DEEP charges in exchange for dropping the local charges. However, the Judge ruled that the fines of \$50 per fine be nollied because of the party's inability to pay them.

Paul noted that a new ordinance is needed for the Town main dock. There is presently a six-hour dinghy tie up regulation but nothing in the regulations for the main dock. A six-hour tie up for the main dock was agreed to for the time being. Paul will take care of the signage.

## 7. Harbor Management Business

- **Capital Projects:** None.
- **Town Access Ways**
  - **Bushnell Park**

Sixty-six small vessel registrations have been received to date. Paul Riggio and Joe Zaraschi will work on completing the racks

## 8. Correspondence

A 2014 West Marine 2014 catalog was received.

## 9. New Business

Doug Domenie, Brewer Dauntless Shipyard and Marina, asked about the standard for anchors/moorings/ground tackle in North Cove and wants to be sure that whatever is being done in North Cove is consistent with what is done everywhere else. The Commission goes by

Chapman's Piloting & Seamanship. There is at least one boat in North Cove without a proper permit and there may be others. The requirements for moorings and permits were discussed. Moorings should not be set without a permit. Paul Riggio will inspect North Cove for compliance.

The seven day transient anchorage policy was also discussed.

#### **10. Old Business**

Paul Riggio was contacted by Keith Neilson, Docko, Inc. asking for a letter from the Harbor Management Commission saying we don't have a problem with the change to the Windatt plan. The Harbor Management Commission had viewed the plan favorably at a prior meeting with the limitation of 10' on the beam. Keith needs to send us the DEEP form to sign off on the plan.

Keith Neilson has also given Paul Riggio a revised plan for the Foxboro project. The plan for a floating dock did not meet DEEP approval and the plan for pilings did not meet approval of the shell fish people, so they are now looking at a plan for a fixed dock. A map representing a fixed dock proposal was shared with the Commission members. The Commission does not see a problem in theory with this but a formal presentation needs to be made.

#### **11. Adjournment**

*Motion: Wally Schieferdecker moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Joe Zaraschi seconded the motion; 3-0-0 motion unanimously approved.*

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Betsy McLaughlin, Clerk**