

**ESSEX HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION**  
**West Avenue**  
**Essex, CT 06426**

**AGENDA- THURSDAY, November 17, 2011**  
**Regular Meeting**  
at 7:30 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Large Conference Room

1. CALL TO ORDER  
Chairman Jeff Going called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Essex Harbor Management Commission to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. ATTENDANCE  
Jeff Going, Chairman  
Wally Schieferdecker, Vice Chairman  
Joe Zaraschi  
Walter Wiegert, Treasurer  
John Senning  
Paul Riggio, Harbor Master

Ruth Hockert, Clerk  
Doug Domenie, Brewer Dauntless Shipyard

3. MINUTES – October Meeting

**Motion - Walter Wiegert moved to approve the Minutes of the October meeting as presented, Wally Schieferdecker seconded  
5-0-0 motion approved unanimously**

4. PUBLIC COMMENT  
Terry and Betty Lomme to express their appreciation for attractive way the project at Novelty Lane came out. They both felt it looked terrific.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT  
Walter Wiegert distributed and reviewed the November Treasurer's Report. Walter would like to move the Class Plus Public Access Account into another account so as to make some interest.

**Motion – Wally Schieferdecker moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, as submitted, John Senning seconded  
4-0-1 motion approved, Walter Wiegert abstained**

**Motion – Wally Schieferdecker moved to close the MBIA account and transfer the money to an interest bearing Liberty Bank account, John Senning seconded  
5-0-0 motion approved unanimously**

**Motion – Walter Wiegert moved to pay the clerk for her monthly hours \$ 281.10, Wally Schieferdecker seconded  
5-0-0 motion approved unanimously**

6. HARBOR MASTER REPORT

Mooring renewal update- send Flores, Mosa, Rodriguez and Bollo a letter explaining that they will not be receiving a mooring renewal as they did not comply with Harbor policies

Wait list update- none

Paul Riggio had the resident state trooper run the number on a Boston Whaler, the boat is owned by Chris Matson. Paul Riggio will send a letter.

7. HARBOR MANAGEMENT BUSINESS

A. CAPITAL PROJECTS/FUNDING

i. Harbor Dredging- Wally Schieferdecker says the dredge is complete. There is one more invoice coming for the post dredge survey and then a report needs to be sent to DEP. Jeff Going asked Walter Wiegert to come up with a report on what is owed to the Town for the next meeting.

B. HARBOR MANAGEMENT ISSUES

The Main Street dock has new hand rails and seats. This project was possible due to some savings on the Novelty Lane project. Jeff Going credits Lee Thompson for being very economically minded with respect to the projects accomplished. The STEAP grant has now paid for the Main Street launch, Novelty Lane work and these improvements on the Main Street Dock.

C. TOWN ACCESS WAYS UPDATE

i. Novelty Lane – update – READCO decided not to water because it was raining so \$ 900 was used for the new hand rails and seats. Doug Domenie is concerned about having signage regarding no parking. A sign saying:

**Parking for Public Access on Main Street**  
needs to be posted.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

COP issued to Essex Boat Works dated

Doug Domenie asked what the defined channel width in the area of the Essex Boat Works. Jeff Going says the application as submitted does not show any intrusion into the channel. Doug's concern is they are going from an 18 foot wide to a 28 foot wide travel lift well and then put a 28 foot wide boat on the outside dock. Jeff Going says that it is important to maintain a safe distance in the channel.

John Senning believes Mr. Domenie's ask was that the Commission write 2 letters one to DEEP and one to the Land Use office. The letter to DEEP should indicate a concern that the new permit may not be consistent with the Harbor Plan, public safety and may create hazardous conditions, and the letter to the Land Use should express the concern that there may be a change in use of the slips at Essex Boat Works. John Senning felt Doug Domenie should also write letters to DEEP and the Land Use Office as well.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Abandoned boat

John Senning reviewed the statutes CGS §15-140C (attached) regarding abandoned boats. The last known owner is presumed to be owner. John suggests that Jeff talk to DEEP about how they handle abandoned boat.

Jeff Going referenced an article in the Valley Courier, written by Maryanne Sullivan, recognizing individuals involved with the Main Street launch ramp, Novelty Lane, dredging and Bushnell Park projects. There was also a letter in the letter to the editor from Jack Spangler complimenting the work at Bushnell Park.

10. OLD BUSINESS

11. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion – Wally Schieferdecker move to adjourn 9:08**

Respectfully submitted,



Ruth Hockert, Clerk