

## **Harbor Management Commission**

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# Meeting Minutes- Special Meeting July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 6:30 P.M.

 Call to Order - Terry Stewart called a special meeting of the HMC to order at 6:30pm on Wednesday July 28th via Zoom to consider the DEEP Dock Application for the Harris Property located at 24 Main Street, Essex.

#### 2. Attendance:

**Present Members**: Jeff Going, John Senning, Kit Schellens, and Terry Stewart. Alternate member Susan Malan was seated to replace Earl Fowler who had recently resigned from the the commission. Also attending were Bill Herlihy, alternate member; Paul Riggio, Harbormaster. And Keith Neilson of Docko, representing the applicant.

### 3. Consideration of a DEEP Dock Application:

Keith began the discussion with a review of the latest modifications to the application. Commission members then asked questions of Keith, expressing concern about the suitability of the dock's location due to shallow water.

**MOTION** John Senning made the following motion, to find the application inconsistent with the Harbor Management Plan; **SECONDED** by Susan Malan; **Voting In Favor**: Susan Malan, John Senning, Kit Schellens; **Opposed**: Jeff Going; **Abstaining**: None; **Approved**: 3/1/0

Motion to not approve the subject application on the basis that its proposed configuration and use is inconsistent with and contrary to many aspects of the Essex Harbor Management Plan, including, but not limited to Section III, A4 subparagraph a regarding aesthetics, environmental and conservation concerns expressed in Section II paragraph E and F and related issues. The proposed application and dock is not consistent or within the purview of riparian rights as discussed in Section II B.1 of the Essex Harbor Management Plan.

Terry explained the next step was to submit to DEEP the Commission's findings in advance of their statute driven deadline.

**MOTION** made by Susan Malan to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.; **SECONDED** by Kit Schellens; **Voting In Favor**: Susan Malan, Jeff Going, Kit Schellens; **Opposed:** None; **Abstaining:** None; **Approved:** 3/0/0.

Respectfully submitted, Kristin Gleason Commission Recording Clerk