

MYSTIC HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

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Minutes of REGULAR Meeting
March 7, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

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The Mystic Harbor Management Commission held a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 7, 2024, in the Library Media Center at Stonington Middle School, 204 Mistuxet Avenue, Mystic. Members present were Lou Allyn, Fred Allard, Rod Cook, Ken Scott, Matt Beaudoin, Tom Longo, and Patrick Herlihy. Also present were Harbormaster Don Procko, Harbormaster Todd Burgess, recording secretary Katrina Bercaw, and guest Cindy Allyn.

Minutes by Katrina Bercaw, Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order

Chairman Allyn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was said.

Comments from the Public

None

2. Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 1, 2024, were reviewed. Mr. Scott made a motion that the minutes be approved. Mr. Allard seconded the motion, which passed with all in favor.

3. Chairman

- a) Note: To request a *No Wake* zone, the Commission would contact our state representatives
- b) Suggested that links for pertinent legislative articles be provided on the MHMC website
- c) Draft update to the Mystic Harbor Management Plan: Braden Lynn at the DEEP has provided feedback and suggestions to be considered at a future meeting
- d) The Chairman reviewed permitting zones. The Coastal Jurisdiction Line CJL (basically the high tide line) defines the limit of DEEP jurisdiction. Anything seaward of this line requires a DEEP permit. Under the Coastal Zone Management Act, the Town of Stonington zone is from the CJL back to the 100' non-infringement line. Projects within this area require an application to the Town's Planning and Zoning Commission.

4. Harbormasters

- a) Reports: Harbormaster Procko and Harbormaster Burgess have reminded mooring owners to get their renewals in
- b) Local Harbormasters Group: Harbormasters Don Procko and Todd Burgess met with Harbormasters Bob Tabor for Lords Point and Eric Donch for Stonington and Chairman Allyn to discuss common topics, including relocation of their jurisdiction line between Mystic and Lords Point. Mr. Allard will work with the Harbormasters to update the Mystic Harbor Management Plan on the change.

5. **Unfinished Business**

- 1) Visitor Tips & Information sheet: Harbormaster Burgess shared a link to Old Saybrook's transient boater information sheet with Commission members. Mr. Beaudoin will speak with the Mystic Chamber of Commerce Board regarding their interest in a local information sheet
- 2) Mr. Longo will present on the ADA kayak launch access at the next MHMC meeting. The Commission reiterated its recommendation for a public dinghy dock at Mystic River Boathouse Park. It was mentioned that there would likely not also be space there for an assisted kayak launch.

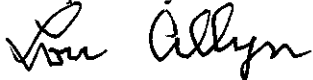
6. **New Business**

- a) COP 202401990 34 Roseleah Drive: Proposal is to replace a fixed dock with a ramp and floating dock. Mr. Allard made a motion to approve the proposal, as it is consistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Cook seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- b) PZ2402SPA&CAM Enders Island Kenyon Cottage: Sent to us for review and comments. The proposal does not require a DEEP permit. Mr. Beaudoin made a motion to approve sending a letter to P&Z saying MHMC has reviewed it and has no objections. Mr. Scott seconded the motion, which passed with all in favor.
- c) Certificate of Application #202308931-COP Shoreline Restoration Enders Island. The application was approved by the Planning and Zoning Commissions on February 6, 2024. Mr. Allard made a motion to approve the application, as it is consistent with the Mystic Harbor Management Plan. Mr. Scott seconded the motion, which was approved with all in favor.

7. **Adjourn**

Mr. Beaudoin made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Allyn seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lou Allyn, Chairman