Town of Greenwich
Harbor Management Commission
Meeting
May 17, 2017
7:00 P.M.
Mazza Room, Town Hall

Minutes

Members in attendance:

Lile Gibbons                      Vice Chairman
Mike Van Oss                     Secretary
Bernard Armstrong                
Bill Ingraham                     
Steve Kinner                     
Frank Mazza

Absent:

Bruce Angiolillo                 Chairman

Alternates:

Don Carlson                      
Casey McKee

Ex-Officio Members in Attendance:

Frank DiPietro                    Police Department Marine Division
Tom Etense                        Police Department Marine Division
Jeff Freidag                      Department of Parks & Recreation
Ian MacMillan                    Harbormaster
Horst Tebbe                      RTM
Joe Turcsanyi                    Police Department Marine Division
John Toner                       Board of Selectmen

Absent:

Sue Baker                        Conservation Commission
Roger Bowgen                      Shellfish Commission
Rick Loh                          Board of Parks & Recreation
Consultant in Attendance:

Geoffrey Steadman

1. Meeting called to order at 7:020 P.M. by Vice Chairman Lile Gibbons

In the absence of Chairman Bruce Angiolillo, Vice Chairman Gibbons acted as Chair for the meeting and seated Alternate Member Casey McKee.

2. Approval of Minutes of the April 19, 2017 Meeting

Motion to approve the Minutes of the April 19, 2017 Meeting by Bernard Armstrong, seconded by Frank Mazza. Motion carried (Unanimous).

3. Chairman’s Report

Chairman Bruce Angiolillo absent. No report.
Vice Chairman Lile Gibbons reported she had attended RTM Legislative and Rules Committee on May 1 and the full RTM meeting on May 8 to speak in support of Budget Resolution 10. Lile explained that a motion before the RTM by Bob Brady to delete the resolution failed.

4. Update on Harbor Management Plan

Vice Chairman Gibbons outlined the time line to submit the proposed Harbor Management Plan to the R.T.M. Since it was not possible to go before the RTM in June before their Summer break, it was decided not to push DEEP into resolving the final issue of the relative authority of the DEEP commissioner over the HMC this month. Assuming a resolution to this issue in the next couple of weeks, it is anticipated to forward the plan to the RTM in September or October.

5. Update on On-Line Mooring Program

Mike Van Oss reported on the status of 2017 renewals and the overall positive roll out of the new system. He reported that we are in the process of updating the info into the Mooringinfo.com system.
Vice Chairman Gibbons requested that Bernie Armstrong and Steve Kinner meet before the June HMC meeting to work out process for providing information relative to mooring applications.
6. Update on GHA Boating Brochure
   Bill Ingraham will e-mail a draft to each HMC member before going to print. Bill reviewed contents of proposed brochure and asked for comments.

7. Harbormaster Report
   See attached.
   Harbormaster reported there are numerous unregistered commercial moorings in Greenwich waters.
   Ian will send a list to the Harbor Management Commission of all Commercial moorings within the next two weeks.

   Bernie Armstrong and Steve Kinner will meet with the Harbormaster to resolve problems with applications prior to the June Harbor Management Commission meeting.

8. New Business
   Bill Ingraham reported he has received log for month of April from the Harbormaster.

9. Public Comment
   Horst Tebbe, the RTM liaison to the HMC reported on his attendance at both the RTM Legislative and Rules Committee meeting and the full RTM budget meeting and the reasons behind his votes. He suggested that the HMC resolve the issue of Resolution 10 before the next budget meetings in Spring of 2018.

10. Adjournment
    Motion to adjourn made by Bernie Armstrong, seconded by Steve Kinner.
    Motion carried (Unanimous).

    Meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M

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Bruce Angiolillo
Chairman

Mike Van Oss
Secretary

Penny Monahan assisted the Secretary in the preparation of these minutes.
5.17.17 HM report

1. No information on mooring permit applications from HMC to date except about 154 have been returned with payments to the selectman’s office then to the HM. Of the 154, 59 had complete and current mooring inspection documents or were new moorings, 18 had invoices with a promise to inspect, 22 had mooring vendor service bills for work other than triennial inspections, and 55 had no attached mooring inspection documentation or a statement that documentation will be sent in later. The Indian Harbor Yacht Club submitted their report with 130 total moorings. The other yacht clubs with self-managed mooring fields have yet to report. The HM does not have access to the HMC database documentation for verification of data.

2. 420 frostbiting programs for GA, Brunswick, RCDS, Greenwich High started on 3/6/2017 and continue in Greenwich Harbor.

3. Although the HM vessel was due to be available to the HM for use no later than 4/1/17, the boat was not ready for sea trials until 4/12/17. The south dock was inaccessible due to a malfunction of the gate lock until the lock was removed during the second week of May. Several times the number one battery was found dead after a rain storm with water over the deck. A battery charger was provided with an extension cord. The cord plugged into the pedestal creates a tripping hazard on the dock due to the location of the pedestal on the far side of the dock from the slip. The radio and the GPS are hot-wired directly to the battery instead of the isolator switch. The battery charger cannot be stored on board due to moisture. A dock box would be useful for equipment otherwise stored on board that should not get wet.

4. See attached HM vessel log.
5. Storm reports from Congressman Himes and from Senator Frantz were available on 3/13/17 which demonstrates the need for storm report email lists for the Harbor Management Commission for storm and hurricane warnings this season. A mariner’s Email mailing list could also be used to announce Power Squadron classes, Boat Shows, the Town Party, regattas, as well as other marine related events.

6. Marine Event forms should be filled out and filed with USCG this season.

7. The following hazards seaward of the high water mark should be addressed: G.I. ramp repair, dredge of the Federal Navigation Project in Greenwich Harbor, wreck removal of the Kevin B, tripping hazard of wires and hoses across south dock walkway, Steamboat pier collapse, lack of communication systems (email) and improperly rigged moorings are obstructions and hazards to navigation.

8. Example of Harbormaster’s mooring permit application form with required criteria is attached.

9. DEEP advises that a mooring without a permit from the Harbormaster is illegal.

10. A number of moorings are found to be missing.
4/18/17 - Low Water Patrol 3:39 hrs, 11:15 to 12:45

4/19/17 - DEEP advises that ALL moorings are required to have a permit from the H&M.

4/20/17 - Moving & Lining For Sale? Kevin Hamilton = 5c/ft. Gayle Murphy DMV = 1211 reg. in Greenwich

4/21/17 - Bailed HM Boat #1 battery Pearl. Switched to #2 + 2 All to ball - Medal Charger - Bill Ingemien

Lock on South Dock does not unlock

4/24/17 - Order Steel from Rowing area under twelve required - James Horen

4/25/17 - Inspect mooring field w/Kirk at RYC 4 illegal moorings in rowing Fairway

4/26/17 - Picked up Battery Charger from Booth w/25 amp. And charged #1 Battery: 12 hrs

5/9/17 - Charged #1 Battery more.


Black Jet Ski dry dock on Casa Lane mooring - reported to Marine Police


5/13/17 - Agnes Delphi wet Rig. Report of Mooring stolen. 3pm.

5/14/17 - Antrak Removes Steel Obstruction under bridge for Rowsers 3:39 hrs to 3:53 hrs 10:15 to 12:00

Located Red ball on Delphi + Other missing mooring. Question Emily Corporation mooring marks?

Located Johnathan Stone 703U w/Red ball. / Jack Revellia ACE Hydros 2015