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Town of Greenwich
Harbor Management Commission
Special Meeting
Proposed Harbor Management Plan
November 2, 2016


Town Clerk

Members in Attendance:

Bruce Angiolillo	Chairman
Lile Gibbons	Vice Chairman
Mike Van Oss	Secretary
Bill Ingraham	
Frank Mazza	
Peter Quigley	

Alternates:

Bernard Armstrong
Don Carlson

Absent:

Steve Kinner

Ex-Officio Members in Attendance:

Ian MacMillan	Harbormaster
Horst Tebbe	R.T.M.

Absent:

Sue Baker	Conservation Commission
Rodger Bowgen	Shellfish Commission
John Brown	Police Department
Jeff Freidag	Department of Parks & Recreation
Rick Loh	Board of Parks & Recreation
Nancy Ramer	Planning & Zoning Commission
Amy Siebert	Department of Public Works
John Toner	Board of Selectmen

1. The Special Meeting To Review Public Comments on Revised Draft of Proposed Harbor Management Plan, and next steps, was called to order by Chairman Bruce Angiolillo at

7:44 P.M., immediately following the Public Meeting of the Harbor Management Commission.

In the absence of Commission Member Steve Kinner, Chairman Angiolillo seated Alternate Member Bernard Armstrong. Chairman Angiolillo invited and encouraged Public Meeting attendees to stay for the Special Meeting.

2. Review of Public Comments

Chairman Angiolillo called upon Lile Gibbons, as Chair of the drafting subcommittee, to review the comments that have been received to date on the revised draft of the Proposed Harbor Management Plan, including the public comments presented at tonight's Public Meeting. Ms. Gibbons summarized these comments, and other Commission members shared their thoughts and perspectives.

To address an apparent misunderstanding about the Harbor Management Commission's annual budget that was expressed by a speaker at the Public Meeting, Ms. Gibbons asked Frank Mazza to outline the budget process that the RTM and BET have established for the Harbor Management Commission. Mr. Mazza explained that an annual joint BET/RTM resolution directs that the Commission's annual budget for appropriations be submitted to the Office of the Selectmen for review and then to the Board of Estimate and Taxation for approval. Mr. Mazza stated that the Commission has followed this process since its inception.

Alternate Don Carlson complimented the drafting committee on the inclusion of language in Chapter 5 and 6 regarding the importance of protecting rights of access for recreational activities, improved water quality and circulation, risks and costs of sedimentation, and coastal resilience. Mr. Carlson noted, however, that these important priorities are not specifically referenced as such in the enumeration of "Priority Issues" in Chapter 4 and asked that either the goals or priorities be amended to include these important issues.

Chairman Angiolillo noted that several speakers at the Public Meeting requested additional time to offer comments on the revised draft of the Plan. Frank Mazza suggested that the goal should be for the Commission to be in the position to vote on the revised Plan at the December meeting and then pass it on to the Board of Selectmen and to DEEP for additional review. Lile Gibbons supported this idea and, after discussion, a consensus was reached among the Commission members to keep the comment period open to December 1.

Motion to keep open to December 1, 2016 the comment period on the revised draft of the Harbor Management Plan made by Chairman Angiolillo, seconded by Mr. Armstrong. Motion carried (Unanimous).

Frank Mazza stated that maintenance dredging is one of the draft Plan's priority issues and urged everyone to be careful about making inaccurate statements which can impede and jeopardize these efforts. He noted recent false statements that appeared in press reports that dredge material in the Mianus River project was polluted. Mr. Mazza noted that all required testing was done before the dredge project commenced and these tests met all EPA standards. He reported that the Army Corps of Engineers had expressed annoyance at such false statements being made.

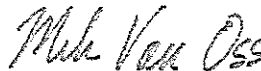
3. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Bill Ingraham, seconded by Bernard Armstrong. Motion carried (Unanimous).

Meeting adjourned at 8:5 P.M.



Bruce Angiolillo
Chairman



Mike Van Oss *by Penny Monahan*
Secretary *PA.*

Penny Monahan assisted the Secretary
In the preparation of these minutes.