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CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT STAMFORD HARBOR MANAGEMENT & SHELLFISH COMMISSION

Scheduled SHMC meeting on 10/19/2021 via Zoom; called to order at 6:33 PM-Chairman Ortelli presiding.

In Attendance:

Commissioners: Dr. Damian Ortelli, Chairman; Commissioners Paul Adelberg; Robert Karp; Michael Pensiero; Ray

Redniss; William Mallov, III; Sam Abernethy; Russ Hollander, Alternate.

Staff: Yale Greenman, Harbor Master; Frank Fedeli, COS; Geoff Steadman, Consultant; Frank Baldassare,

Marina Supervisor, COS; and Maria Vazquez-Goncalves, Recorder.

Absent: Sgt. Kevin Fitzgibbons, Stamford Police Dept. COS; Captain Eric Knott, Online Mooring; Scott Denise,

Assistant Marina Supervisor, COS.

1) Review & Approval of Meeting Minutes

- Commissioner Adelberg moved to approve September 21, 2021 meeting minutes.
- Commissioner Redniss seconded the motion.
- Unanimously approved.

2) Chairman's Report

- Discussion on the Mill River Vegetation; Removal and disposal into the Mill River of vegetation by the Mill River Collaboration grounds crews.
- Discussion on the WPCA Spill; 10/15/21 at 8:15 a.m. approximately 500 gallons of raw sewage spilled when a clarifier overflowed from a surge. The overflow went onto the catch basins and ultimately into the East Branch of the Harbor.
- Discussion on the WPCA Spill; Washington Blvd. 10/8/21 at 12:50 p.m. approximately 15-20 gallons of raw spilled when a sanitary sewer line was clogged by grease. The overflow went onto the storm sewer and ultimately to the Long Island Sound via the pumping station at Dyke Lane. The incident was reported to the DEEP.

3) Committee Reports

Application Review Committee: Commissioner Abernethy: Committee met on 10/04/21, next scheduled meeting is on 11/01/21.

- CT DEEP Attachment E: Harbor Management Commission DEEP Permit Consultation Form HMC Suzanne & Thomas Cingari, for work at 115 Ocean Drive West, Stamford, CT.
 - · Commissioner Redniss recused himself.
 - Commissioner Adelberg moved to accept the ARC recommendation of a finding of no objection to the preapplication plans being included in a permit application to DEEP, with the understanding that the HMC reserves its right to continue to review the proposal.
 - · Commissioner Malloy seconded the motion.
 - Unanimously approved.
- CT DEEP Attachment D: Shellfish Commission DEEP Permit Consultation Form
 Suzanne & Thomas Cingari for work at 115 Ocean Drive West, Stamford, CT.
 - Commissioner Redniss recused himself.
 - Commissioner Adelberg moved to accept the ARC recommendation of no objection to the pre-application plans being included in a permit application to DEEP insofar as the proposal is not expected to affect shellfish resources or shell fishing opportunities, with the understanding that the HMC reserves its right to continue to review the proposal.
 - Commissioner Malloy seconded the motion.
 - Unanimously approved.
- Referral of CSPR 1120 Paul Kitzmiller, 3 Eureka Terrace, Stamford, CT.
 - Commissioner Adelberg moved to accept the ARC recommendation of a finding of no objection to the proposed project with the understanding that this expression of "no objection" should not be construed as a precedent for the HMC to support after-the-fact approval of previously completed but unauthorized work in other instances.
 - · Commissioner Malloy seconded the motion.
 - Unanimously approved.

HMP & Financial Review Committee: No report.

Planning/Moorings Committee: No report.

Shellfish Committee: No report. **Marina Committee**: No report.

Safety Committee: Commissioner Pensiero: Committee met on 10/18/21, next meeting 11/09/21.

• Discussion on Semi-annual meeting which Sgt. Fitzgibbons will attend; markers; concerns by the Harbormaster regarding several signs that need to be addressed.

- Discussion regarding the Hurricane Barrier closure two weeks ago.
- Discussion on the dredging permit for the boat ramp and concerns that the boat ramp maybe closed during the summer months.

4) Staff Reports

Financial Review:

- Mr. Fedeli discussed the financial report.
- Discussion on a derelict boat fund.
- Discussion on a work boat rather than a cleaner boat.
- Discussion on the Commission's available funds, where to use those funds, and an updated priority list.

Harbor Master Report:

- Harbor Master Yale Greenman discussed the hurricane barrier and the closing of the gate.
- Discussion on large debris in the harbor and who is responsible to clean it up.
- Discussion on the need for a working public boat launch.

Marina Supervisor:

- Discussion on continuing work on the boating docks.
- Frank Baldassare is requesting a working boat under the Capital projects.

5) Old Business

- No update on setting license fees for shellfish licenses.
- No update on Fees for harbor users. Discussion on adding equal and fair user fees for all users across the entire waterfront.
- HMC Analysis of the City of Stamford Municipal Marinas.
- Consultant Steadman reported on Water Quality Testing Training on Tuesday, 9/28/21.
- 6) New Business: None
- 7) Public Participation: None
- 8) Next Scheduled Meeting: November 16, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

9) <u>Adjournment</u>

- Commissioner Adelberg_made a motion to adjourn.
- Commissioner Redniss seconded the motion.
- Unanimously approved.