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CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT STAMFORD HARBOR MANAGEMENT & SHELLFISH COMMISSION

Scheduled SHMC meeting on 3/21/2023 via Zoom; called to order at 6:31 PM-Chairman Ortelli presiding.

In Attendance:

Commissioners: Dr. Damian Ortelli, Chairman; Commissioners Paul Adelberg; Sam Abernethy; Robert Karp; Michael

Pensiero; and Russ Hollander, Alternate.

Staff: Frank Fedeli, COS; Sgt. Kevin Fitzgibbons, Stamford Police Dept.; Frank Baldassare, Marina COS; Yale

Greenman, Harbor Master; Frank Fumega, Deputy Harbor Master; Geoff Steadman, Consultant; and

Maria Vazquez-Goncalves, Recorder.

Absent: Commissioner Ray Redniss, William Malloy, III; Captain Eric Knott, Online Mooring; Scott Denise,

Assistant Marina Supervisor, COS.

1) Review & Approval of Meeting Minutes

- Commissioner Pensiero moved to approve February 21, 2023 minutes.
- Commissioner Abernethy seconded the motion.
- Unanimously approved.

2) Chairman's Report

- a) Discussion on Succession plan for Harbor Management City Liaison.
- b) Discussion on Bill 5614 Public Hearing on 2/22/23.
- c) Update on communication with DEEP regarding current and past work on the 14 Acre Site. Frank Fedeli commented on the 58 page report he received on 3/17/23 from DEEP. Bill Buckley discussed the status on the project and remediation.
- d) Update on the Seaview House application.
- e) SoundWaters Kelp Farm invited the HMC to an on water tour of the Kelp Farm before harvest.
- f) Discussion on SoundWaters welcomed their first class of Harbor Corps, which is a 16 week maritime training program.

3) Committee Reports

Application Review Committee: Commissioner Karp: Committee met on 3/06/23, next scheduled meeting is 4/03/23.

 Referral of CSPR 1166 – DPS Consulting LLC on behalf of Ahamed Mafiji, 110 Euclid Avenue, Stamford, CT.

- Commissioner Adelberg moved to accept the ARC recommendation of no objection to the project provided best management practices are employed during construction.
- · Commissioner Hollander seconded the motion.
- Unanimously approved.
- Application 223-05 through 223-08 Revised City of Stamford Zoning Board, 888
 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT, Text Change.
 - Commissioner Adelberg moved to accept the ARC recommendation of no objection.
 - · Commissioner Pensiero seconded the motion.
 - Unanimously approved.
- Application 223-09 through 223-11 Revised City of Stamford Zoning Board, 888
 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT, Text Change.
 - Commissioner Abernethy moved to accept the ARC recommendation of no objection, with the understanding that certain lot coverage requirements proposed through Application 223-09 may increase the amount of pervious surfaces provided on development sites and will not result in an increase in the amount of impervious surfaces allowed.
 - · Commissioner Pensiero seconded the motion.
 - Unanimously approved.
- CT DEEP LWRD License Application Pre Submission Consultation Form, HMC Antonia & Christian Stroeh, 35 Rogers Road, Stamford, CT.
 - Commissioner Adelberg moved to accept the ARC recommendation of no objection to the pre-application plans being included in a permit application to DEEP with the understanding there are no issues of noncompliance associated with the existing structures and provided the Applicant provides, with that application, a statement that the adjoining property owner has been informed of the proposed project regarding the stone groin along the extended southern littoral property line.
 - · Commissioner Pensiero seconded the motion.
 - Unanimously approved.
- CT DEEP LWRD License Application Pre Submission Consultation Form, Shellfish Commission Antonia & Christian Stroeh, 35 Rogers Road, Stamford, CT.
 - Commissioner Adelberg moved to accept the ARC recommendation of no objection to the project provided best management practices are employed during construction.
 - Commissioner Pensiero seconded the motion.
 - Unanimously approved.

Safety Committee: No meeting.

• Commissioner Pensiero gave a brief update on the Hurricane Barrier repairs.

Marina Committee: No meeting.

- Commissioner Hollander discussed proposing Harbor User Fees to support the Harbor.
- Discussion on putting together a web portal for resident boaters.

4) Staff Reports

Financial Review:

• Mr. Fedeli presented his financial report.

Harbor Master Report:

- Harbor Master Yale Greenman reported on meeting held on March 2, 2023 with the Army Corps of Engineers regarding a the Hurricane Barrier repairs.
- Discussion on 70 moorings being renewed, received mooring stickers and requesting illegal mooring stickers.
- Discussion of the lights at K Park that are a hazard to navigation.
- Deputy Harbor Master Fumega reported on Swim across America 6/24/23 and Soundwater Flotilla 7/15/23.
- Deputy Harbor Master Fumega discussed that a 35 foot paddle boat is coming to the Stamford Harbor from the end of May 2023 to September 2023, 10 a.m.-10 p.m., and 90 minute cruises around the Stamford Harbor.

Marina Supervisor:

• Frank Baldassare reported on continuous repairs at Czescik and Cove marinas.

5) Old Business

- a) Harbor user fees discussed under Marina Committee.
- b) Frank Fedeli updated the Commissioners on the Robert Strada Memorial bench.
- **6)** New Business: None
- 7) **Public Participation**: None
- 8) Next Scheduled Meeting: April 18, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

9) Adjournment

- Commissioner Adelberg made a motion to adjourn.
- Commissioner Karp seconded the motion.
- Unanimously approved.