

Town of Guilford, CT
Harbor Management Commission
Town Hall, 31 Park Street Guilford, CT 06437

A meeting of the Town of Guilford's Harbor Management Commission will be held at
7:00 PM, Wednesday, May 27th, 2020
via teleconference
Phone number: (605) 468-8035 Access Code: 9374781

Members Present: Commission Chairman John Thommen, Chris Tietjen,
KJ Lee, Keith Harvey
Members Absent: Pete Beauvais (excused), Bonnie Burns (excused) Joe Anastasio (excused)
Others Present: CT State Appointed Guilford Harbormaster Fred Brisbois
Members of the Public Present: none

DRAFT MINUTES

Commission Chairman John Thommen called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

- **Public Forum:** No members of the public present.
- **Approval of the 4/22/2020 meeting minutes:** Chris Tietjen made a motion to approve the April 22nd meeting minutes as submitted; KJ Lee seconded; all approved.
- **State Harbormasters Report:**



THE OLD STONE HOUSE

STATE HARBOR MASTER TOWN OF GUILFORD, CT



To: Harbor Management Commission
Re: Monthly Report
Dt: 27 May 2020

Summary of Harbor Master activities since the last Harbor Management Commission meeting:

STATE ACTIVITIES:

- None

INTERFACE WITH TOWN BOARDS /COMMISSIONS/OFFICES/ASSOCIATIONS:

- Contacted Guilford Yacht Club regarding their moorings to inquire if they were going to renew. No response or renewal as of today.

MOORINGS

- Mooring Permit Status:
 - 99 permits approved
 - 98 renewals, 1 new
 - 5 renewals in review
- Reissued Renewal notices via Online Mooring on May 8

NOTEWORTHY EVENTS/OTHER ACTIVITIES:

- Conducted patrol of Joshua Cove via Trolley Road using personal car
- Conducted patrol of entire shoreline with GFD boat.

Respectfully submitted,



Fred Brisbois
Connecticut Harbor Master
Town of Guilford

Discussion: Per John Thommen, The GYC is only utilizing smaller boats for 2020 Youth Sailing Program. Fred reports moorings from the prior program are still in harbor. John asked if there were 5 moorings still in place. Fred replied GYC had used 3. Keith Harvey reminded the Commission GYC also had had a dock in place last year. Fred replied the dock had been removed. Fred also reported there are 2 moorings just to the west of the channel that have not been renewed; he intends to stop by GYC later this week to introduce himself to new Dockmaster and discuss.

John asked if ONLINE mooring was still charging the same rate as last year. Chris and Fred confirmed the rate as \$6/mooring registration; same rate as last year.

- **Treasurers Report:** Due to the current COVID situation, Chris Tietjen did not distribute a financial statement this month to the Commissioners, as there was no response/report from the Finance Department. No Finance report left nothing to compare to Chris's journal. Credit balance- \$1100 in fees collected as of end of April 2020. Chris will catch up when statements are received from Finance Department.
Motion: KJ made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Keith Harvey seconded, all approved.
- **Approval of Bills and Vouchers:** Joan Dudley- \$26.25 for secretarial services. Keith Harvey made a motion to accept this bill, KJ Lee seconded; all approved.

- **Old Business:**
DEEP Public notice email- noted.
- **New Business:** John Thommen explained that his 4-year term on the Commission is ending in July, and he will not be renewing his term. He intends to do more work for the Coast Guard non-profit. His last meeting will be in June. John has found the CT state government frustrating, especially regarding the failed appointment of a Deputy Harbormaster. He is stepping down as chair, effective immediately. He suggested the Commissioners think of a successor to nominate for Chair, as well as finding additional productive member(s).
- **Harbor Management Plan Review:** Chris Tietjen spent the last month working on Plan; culled strikeouts, created pure copy. As discussed at last meeting, a focus group- separate meeting or full regular meeting should be held, Plan still needs to be reviewed. Any Plan changes will take a lot of time. Chris questions need for culling out historical aspects of Plan. In looking at the OLHMP, interest is more in the addendum- basic regulations on how to manage docks; specific terms for structures. addendum should be
- **Adjourn:** John Thommen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30PM, Keith Harvey seconded; all approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joan M. Dudley
Recording Secretary