

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

A meeting of the Town of Guilford's Harbor Management Commission was held at  
7:30 PM, Wednesday, June 28th, 2017

**Town Hall- Upstairs in Selectman's wing**

## **APPROVED MINUTES**

Members present: Acting Commission Chairman John Thommen, Keith Harvey, Chris Tietjen

Members absent: KJ Lee

Alternates present: Teresa Hedleston, Keith Harvey

Others present: CT State Appointed Harbormaster Fred Brisbois

Members of the public present: John Lust

Acting Chairman John Thommen made a motion to begin the meeting at 7:30PM.

- **Public Forum:**

John Lust- In for Robert Sonnischen, who is working with Gary and Brenda Nuttall on a proposed dock/walkway at 74 Seaside Avenue. The Nutalls own several adjacent parcels on Seaside Avenue. They are an older couple and, along with their daughter, would like access to their dock/ property via this proposed walkway. They want to improve the site and have no problem with other people (neighbors?) utilizing this walkway.

John Thommen asked if heavy equip will be used for pile installation. John Lust said that no there will not be. All work to done by hand. Keith Harvey asked how posts will be driven into the marsh. All posts will be driven into the marsh by hand with a hand-held pneumatic pile driver developed by Bruce Beebe of Beebe Marine. Posts will be cedar and not pressure treated. Army Corps of Engineers has looked at the permit; recommends more "flow-through" decking; perhaps spacing the boards to allow water and sunlight through. John Thommen asked for confirmation on the width of walkway. John Lust stated the walkway will be 3' wide, with a handrail on one side.

CT feels 5' depth adequate for pile driving depth. JL left DEEP consult form regarding Nuttall project with the Commission for approval/ signature.

Discussion: TH-rail on one side only? Not sure if that is code compliant.

CT feels walkway to be beneficial- poor quality lot, lots of poison ivy. Good way to get to the beach from there.

TH and KH have concerns about the walkway coming out of the ground.

JT has appearance concerns, but Commission cannot deny permit based on this.

JT will complete consult form for the Commission and return to John Lust.

- **Approval of the 5/24/2017 meeting minutes:**

Fix Theresa-first name to Teresa

CT made a motion to approve minutes with the above change. KH seconded; all approved.

- **State Harbormasters Report:**



## STATE HARBOR MASTER TOWN OF GUILFORD, CT



To: Harbor Management Commission

Re: Monthly Report

Dt: 28 Jun 2017

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

### **STATE ACTIVITIES:**

- Received DEEP Tentative Notice of Determination to approve Michael Dewar & Kimberly Howland permit to install a dock at 137 West Lane. Forwarded to HMC via email.
- Received DEEP COP for Ken Nowak to retain sea wall at 140 Neck Road. Forwarded to HMC via email.

### **INTERFACE WITH TOWN BOARDS /COMMISSIONS/OFFICES/ASSOCIATIONS:**

- None

### **MOORINGS:**

- **2017 Permit Status**
  - Approved: 165 (154 renewals, 11 new)
  - Under review: 6 (3 renewals, 3 new)

### **NOTEWORTHY EVENTS/OTHER ACTIVITIES:**

- Conducted a shore patrol with the Fire Boat of all harbors. No issues noted.
- Assisted an applicant having problems with the online application. Submitted recommended changes to Online Mooring to ease the process.
- Ordered 250 new business cards reflecting DEEP affiliation for \$21.26.  
The New London Harbor Master is coordinating having new Harbor Master hats. I ordered two for \$30.

Respectfully submitted,



Fred Brisbois  
Connecticut Harbor Master  
Town of Guilford

- **Treasurers Report:**

Chris received nothing from Finance this past month, so nothing new to report. He has been submitting checks as they have been received.

- **Approval of Bills and Vouchers:**

Joan Dudley- 2 hours secretarial work \$34.00. She will email invoice to Chris, and check on prior months. Chris made a motion to approve this bill, Theresa Hedleston seconded; all approve.

- **New Business:**

John has asked some people to meet with us about joining. John and Fred discussed Pete Beauvais as an alternate member.

Acknowledgement of DEEP Consultation Form. John will return signed form to John Lust.

Committee's recommendation for Chairman- John stated we not have yet notified Town Hall regarding the nomination; we need to make a motion to do so.

Chris made a motion to nominate John as Chair of the Commission. Note to Joe Mazza.

Chris discussed possibility of a permit for Indian Cove for 8'x20' dock constructed of interlocking cubes.

Fred informed Chris if this stays under 100 sq ft and has 2 or fewer attachment points, it would still be considered a mooring.

Keith stated minutes from 2017 have not been posted online. Joan Dudley to follow up with Traci Brinkman in Selectman's office for posting.

- **Old Business:** none at this time.

Theresa received a phone call from someone (Ken Wilson?) asking her to be a full time member. John will request Keith and Theresa become full time members, then have the two new people we require for the Commission to be alternates.

- **Adjourn:** John made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:01PM, Keith seconded, all approve.