

**Town of Guilford
Marina Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2017
7:00 p.m.
Guilford Town Hall**

Present: Commission Members: Bernard Lombardi, Chairman; Michael Crossley; Roger Celesk, (arrived 7:05 p.m.); Cliff McGuire, alternate

Others: Rod McLennan, Dockmaster; Ron Repetti, Guilford Yacht Club; Karen Quercia, Acting Clerk

1. Public Forum

None

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2017

Item 6.2 – first line Sorensen” Critten” should be corrected to Sorensen “Hunter”;
last line “55” cubic yards should be corrected to “55,000”

Page 2 Second paragraph “Tartan” Should be corrected to “Triton”

Page 2 Fifth paragraph “them” should be corrected to “then”

Motion: Upon a motion by Mr. Crossley, and seconded by Mr. McGuire, the Marina Commission voted to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2017 meeting as corrected.

In Favor: Crossley, Lombardi, McGuire

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

3. Treasurer’s Report

Total revenue is \$28,000, some of which is deferred revenue from earlier.
Expenses totaled \$9,900, 90% of which is salaries.

The warrants totaled \$540.25 of which:

\$320	Porta Potties
\$145	Sweitzer Waste Removal
\$75	Page Hardware – miscellaneous

Motion: Upon a motion by Mr. McGuire, and seconded by Mr. Celesk, the Marina Commission voted to approve the warrant in the amount of \$540.25.

In Favor: Crossley, Lombardi, McGuire, Celesk

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

4. Dockmaster's Report

- 4.1 The fire department discovered the remains of a vehicle underwater at the base of the launch ramp. Efforts were made to recover it but it was too rusted to attach a cable and crumbled when touched. It is believed this is a Dodge Dart from the 1970's.
- 4.2 The marina work boat was used to help Menunkatuck Audubon erect two new osprey platforms. There are now 52 platforms.
- 4.3 A 34' sailboat from the mooring field was towed by the marina work boat into a slip so a mechanic could work on the motor.
- 4.4 Three boats have signed up for the November extended season. There are still quite a few boats left in the marina.

5. Correspondence

None

6. Old Business

6.1 FEMA Funds

Mr. Lombardi reported that there are no updates on the request to reinstitute the denial. The State also sent a request but there has been no determination. The town finance office provided detailed research regarding direct administrative costs.

6.2 Marina Dredging

6.2.a. Dredge Subcommittee Report

The State still has not provided a clear answer on whether the former Sorensen Hunter site can be used. They need to provide a yes or no answer but have not yet done so. They are not considering location or cost.

Sorensen would be the easiest site to use. Mr. Lombardi will check with Peter Rebezzini to see if he would be interested in the dredge material. Medlyn Farm may also be interested in the material.

The East River marshes do not need replenishment.

Mr. Repetti stated that he has been away, so he could not provide up to date information regarding the Guilford Yacht Club, (GYC). They did look at dredge machinery in Wisconsin. The cost for the machinery is \$500,000.

The Commission discussed whether a consultant should be hired at this point, either jointly with the GYC, or just the Marina Commission.

The Army Corp of Engineers did not agree with the State's reaction to the question about the use of the Sorensen site.

Mr. Lombardi will get quotes for the cost of engineered plans.

6.2.b. Town RFP Policy

6.2.c Marina Parking

Mr. Lombardi recently met with First Selectman Mazza, Police Chief Jeff Hutchinson and In-House Counsel Pamela Millman regarding parking at the marina. The police department would need approval of the Board of Selectmen to have access to, and ticket, in the parking lot. This would require an ordinance change. Ms. Millman was supposed to have provided information regarding boat owner parking.

The Commission further discussed the parking problems; including restaurant employees utilizing the lot, and the severity and frequency of the problem. It was decided that since this was the first year that there was a real problem, the Commission thought it would be best to move forward slowly. This could be a weather dependent problem. The Moorings has also become more popular, and sought approval for outdoor seating, thereby using more parking spaces.

There are 120 boat slips and 114 parking spaces.

The Commission agreed that another meeting with the First Selectman might be helpful.

6.3 Tide Gate

A proposal of \$5,000.00 per gate was received. There are two gates. Town Engineer Jim Portley advised that town staff can pull the gates out when all the boats are out, around November, 2017.

6.4 Bulkhead Repair

Mr. Lombardi met with Jim Portley, who received a scope of work from Blakeslee that the Commission can use for the bid proposal. The steel is rusting out. Mr. McLennan had contacted Jim with a draft RFP, but has not heard back. Mr. Lombardi and Mr. McLennan will share copies of their e-mail correspondence.

6.5 Severe Storm Warning Subcommittee Progress Report

The subcommittee met and sent copies of the rewrite.

7. New Business

7.1 2018 Meeting Schedule

Mr. Celesk will participate by phone when he is out of town.

Motion: Upon a motion by Mr. McGuire, and seconded by Mr. Celesk, the Marina Commission voted to approve the 2018 Marina Commission meeting schedule as presented.

In Favor: Crossley, Lombardi, McGuire, Celesk

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

8. Adjournment

Motion: Upon a motion by Mr. Crossley, and seconded by Mr. McGuire, the Marina Commission voted to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

In Favor: Crossley, Lombardi, McGuire, Celesk

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Quercia
Acting Clerk

Approved