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Minutes of the May 11, 2011 Jamestown Harbor Commission Meeting
Approved: 7/13/2011

A meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission (JHC) was held May 11, 2011 at the Jamestown Town Hall, 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, Rhode Island.

Chairman deAngeli called the meeting to order at 7:03PM with roll call:

Present:

Michael deAngeli, Chairman
Andrew Kallfelz, Vice-Chairman (7:20 PM)
Chris Brown, Commissioner
Susan Little, Commissioner
David Cain, Commissioner
Larry Eichler, Commissioner
Edward McGuirl, Commissioner

Also in attendance:

Chief Thomas Tighe, Executive Director
Maureen Coleman, Conservation Commission Liaison
Kimberly Devlin, Harbor Clerk & Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
April 13, 2011

Commissioner Brown added "Maureen Coleman, Conservation Commission Liaison" to the Roll Call attendance list. Chairman deAngeli moved to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2011 Jamestown Harbor Commission meeting, as amended. So voted; 6 ayes, 0 nays.

CONSENT AGENDA

Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes for Review

1. Facilities Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes; 4/18/2011

Commissioner Little moved to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2011 Facilities Sub-Committee meeting, Chairman deAngeli seconded. So voted; 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Chairman deAngeli moved to move up item 13A, under "New Business;" the appeal from Mr. Stephen Garnett, Commissioner Little seconded. So voted; 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Chairman deAngeli recused himself from the matter, due to a conflict of interests, and stepped down from the bench.

Mr. Garnett addressed the Jamestown Harbor Commission regarding his appeal of the Harbormaster's

decision to deny him a Temporary Exemption request for the season. Mr. Garnett explained he was granted a Grace Period for the 2010 season, and had expected to have a new boat this year; but the deal fell through. He is requesting permission to allow someone else to use his mooring for the 2011 season.

A discussion on the appeal ensued.

Commissioner Cain moved to approve Mr. Garnett's request, on the condition that if the mooring is not used next year it will be forfeited. Commissioner Eichler seconded. So voted; 5 ayes, 0 nays.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session.

OPEN FORUM

Scheduled Requests to Address

No Scheduled requests to address.

Non-scheduled Requests to Address

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TIGHE'S REPORT

Executive Director Tighe reported the boats are back, but the Eastern is being re-lettered and the Ribcraft is not running as it should. The Ribcraft will be looked at.

Executive Director Tighe also reported he was in receipt of a folder of unused moorings from last season and forfeiture notices have been sent.

Executive Director Tighe reported a new program will be in affect this summer, having Police enforcement on the water a few hours per week. An officer has already completed the necessary training.

MARINE DEVELOPMENT FUND BUDGET 2010/2011 MDF YTD Budget

The Marine Development Fund was presented to the Jamestown Harbor Commission.

HARBOR CLERK REPORT

Harbor Clerk Devlin reported the permit renewals are being processed and things are running smoothly.

HARBORMASTER REPORT

Harbormaster Paterson reported that the boats are back, but the Ribcraft is running worse than it did at the end of last season. The Eastern should be back in a few days.

LIAISON REPORTS

Planning Commission Liaison

Planning Commission Liaison seat is vacant.

Town Council Liaison

Town Council Liaison Bob Bowen was absent.

Conservation Commission Liaison

Conservation Commission Liaison Maureen Coleman reported the map Justin Jobin updated looks great.

A discussion regarding Conservation Zones, and whether or not to ask the Town Council to consider the Conservation Zone change separately, ensued.

Chairman deAngeli moves to move up item 11D, Harbor Management Ordinance/Comprehensive Harbor Management Plan Revision, to discuss the ordinance and plan. So voted; 6 ayes, 0 nays.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Harbor Management Ordinance / Comprehensive Harbor Management Plan

(7:20; Vice-Chairman Kallfelz arrives).

Further discussion on Conservation Zones, anchoring, and the language description for the ordinance ensued.

Chairman deAngeli moves to amend the Harbor Management Ordinance so that section 78-27-g-1 reads: "Overnight anchoring is permitted in all town waters except conservation zones on a space available basis and provided if the owners go ashore they are able to attend to their vessel in heavy weather and stay clear of all moored vessels. No vessels shall be anchored for more than three (3) days, except with permission by the Harbormaster. No anchoring of any kind is permitted in Conservation Zones," and, second, to amend section 78-24-d-3 so that it reads: "North Conservation Zone. All harbor waters from the northern boundary to point R in the Town map provided May 9, 2011, to point Q, to shore" and to pass the Harbor Management Ordinance on to the Town Council for approval. Commissioner Cain seconded. So voted; 4 ayes, 3 nays. (Chairman deAngeli, Vice-Chairman Kallfelz, Commissioner Brown voted against the motion).

ONGOING BUSINESS

Harbor Management Ordinance / Comprehensive Harbor Management Plan

Chairman deAngeli detailed the most recent updates to the Harbor Management Ordinance.

Vice-Chairman Kallfelz referred to the section of the ordinance regarding swimming, and a handout he provided with suggestions for new language.

Chairman deAngeli referred to a memo from Town Administrator, Bruce Keiser, regarding the use of Harbor funds for emergency projects.

Chairman deAngeli stated he objects to the decision to utilize Harbor money without any sort of discussion and would like to include language in the ordinance to prevent this from happening again. To use harbor money for seawalls is understandable; however, parking lots and roads seems way beyond the scope of responsibility of the Harbor Commission.

Commissioner Little provided a memo from Town Engineer, Mike Gray, to the Town Council specifying the cost breakdown of the two emergency repair projects. Commissioner Little pointed out the Racquet Road section in need of repair was not even mentioned in Mike's (Mike Gray) Draft Asset Management Plan.

Commissioner Eichler spoke regarding the language change in the ordinance to prevent this from occurring again. He feels, regardless of how the ordinance reads the Town Council can and will do what they want. Commissioner Eichler also stated the conditions of the two emergency projects probably were in existence during the April 13th meeting, but no one informed the Harbor Commission then.

Vice-Chairman Kallfelz referred to a spreadsheet he created to help determine the nexus of responsibility between the Harbor and Town, regarding town-owned facilities and their maintenance and upkeep.

A discussion on port-a-potties ensued.

A discussion on utilizing the spreadsheet Vice-Chairman Kallfelz developed ensued.

A discussion on the content of the memo to the Town Council ensued.

A discussion on how the revenue streams should be utilized ensued. Demographically, the usage of the various harbor infrastructure facilities varies greatly and the Jamestown Harbor Commission agrees the financial responsibility should fluctuate depending on the location and scope of the project. The Facilities and Budget Committee's are working on identifying these parameters and suggesting funding options.

Chairman deAngeli moves to adopt the amended Harbor Management Ordinance to include Vice-Chairman Kallfelz's Proposed Amendments to Ordinance regarding Swimming / Water skiing, and

anchoring, Commissioner Eichler seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.
Chairman deAngeli moves to approve the Harbor Management Ordinance, as amended
So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Budget

Commissioner Brown and Vice-Chairman Kallfelz reported the minutes they submitted were not included on the agenda, even though they were submitted to Harbor Clerk Devlin.

Harbor Clerk Devlin stated she will be sure to include them on the next meeting agenda.

Vice-Chairman Kallfelz led a discussion on the spreadsheet he created to aid in identifying and distributing harbor infrastructure funding, previously mentioned during the Harbor Management Ordinance/Comprehensive Harbor Management Plan discussion.

Facilities

Commissioner Little reported there is a Ft. Getty charette May 19th at the Lawn Avenue school.
Commissioner Little stated she has spoken with Mike Gray and he had the following to report:

- The Ft. Getty boat ramp is complete
- The floats are in at West Ferry
- The touch and go at East Ferry is ready for pump-out connection

Commissioner Little also requested the Jamestown Harbor Commission decide which project they would like to see completed. A discussion ensued.

Commissioner Little moved to pursue the West Ferry bulkhead as the next Jamestown Harbor Commission project; Chairman deAngeli seconded, So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Mooring Implementation

Commissioner Cain had nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Delineation of Conservation / No Anchor Zone in the southern end of Dutch Harbor

This topic was addressed during the "Ongoing Business; Harbor Management Ordinance/CHMO discussion at the beginning of the meeting."

CORRESPONDENCE

Vice-Chairman Kallfelz moved to accept Items 14 A-C, Commissioner Eichler seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

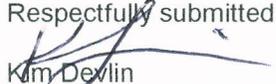
Open Forum – Continued

Town Council member, Ellen Winsor, stated she agrees with Vice-Chairman Kallfelz about prioritizing projects and funding of these projects and that the Town Council did the Jamestown Harbor Commission no favors by usurping the Jamestown Harbor Commission's advisory role in these matters.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chairman Kallfelz moved to adjourn at 9:00 PM, Commissioner Cain seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,


Kim Devlin
Harbor Clerk