

COASTAL POND MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MINUTES

Police Station
Old Post Road
Charlestown, Rhode Island

October 6, 2014

Chairman Rob Lyons called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.

Present:

Chairman Rob Lyons
Bob Smith
Robert Krause
Rich Phelan
Mike Roy
Harbormaster Justin Vail

Absent:

Jeffery Burns

Chairman Rob Lyons declared a quorum was present.

Guest:

Brian Pinsky
Jim Arnoux
Matt Behan
Richard Sartor
Stephen McCandless

Secretary's Report:

The minutes of the July 7, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Upon motion duly made by Rich Phelan and seconded by Bob Smith, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2014 meeting.

Financial Report:

Harbormaster Justin Vail presented an overview of Actual vs. Budget 7/1/14-9/30/14

Harbormaster Report:

Mooring Renewals, Waiting List, On-line Services

Harbormaster Justin Vail provided copies of waiting list. Renewals go out next week. Waiting list can be viewed on-line.

Summer Report/Fall Staffing Schedule

Harbormaster informed commission his department had 122 contacts with boaters between May and September. These contacts included water rescues and vessel, fishing and DEM violations.

He reported more kayakers without PFDs and a need for signage to warn boaters of current/danger at breachways. Channel markers will be removed after Columbus Day. Chairman Lyons suggested more channel markers next year at Quonnie. Harbormaster will be on patrol and call in one of assistants if needed

Old Business:

Harbormaster Boat Status / Maritime Skiff

Harbor informed the commission the vessel had been sold. Winning bid was \$5250.00

Harbor Management Plan

Harbormaster informed commission he has been taking notes at commission meetings and some sections of plan are already in place.

Aquaculture Plan

Aquaculture Plan needs to be reviewed. Town and Salt Pond coalitions may seek leases. Steve McCandless went over current leases which comprise of approximately 21.5 acres or 1.4 percent of pond. Foster cove is included.

DOI Marsh restoration Project

Steve McCandless went to a meeting a few weeks back. There is an issue with permitting/ bids to go out and awarded after November 2014. Hope to dredge November 2015

Town Aquaculture Lease Proposal

Steve McCandless gave a presentation on possible Town Aquaculture lease.

A motion to support a Town aquaculture site and to pursue lease was made by Rich Phelan and seconded by Bob Smith. All commission members were in favor

Public Comment:

None

Upon motion duly made by Bob Smith and seconded by Rich Phelan, it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:39 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: ___ As written
 ___As amended

Date_____

Robert Lyons