

COASTAL POND MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MINUTES

Police Station

Charlestown, Rhode Island

April 2, 2018

Chairman Rob Lyons declared a quorum was present. And called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

Present:

Chairman Rob Lyons
Mike Roy
Jeffrey Burns
Rich Thomsen
Bill Wilson
Charles Glew
Robert Krause

Absent:

Guests:

Mark Keely

Town Staff:

Harbormaster Justin Vail

Secretary's Report:

Upon motion duly made by Rich Thomsen and seconded by Charles Glew it was voted to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2018 meeting. Bill Wilson abstained.

Financial Report:

Harbormaster Justin Vail reviewed Actual vs. Budget – February/March 2017 (FY 2017-2018).

Harbormaster Report:

Quiet February / March due to weather. Harbormaster Justin Vail is preparing channel markers and will begin installation in April with goal to complete by May 1. Upon installation using 2017 coordinates, the markers will be adjusted as necessary to align w/ channel movement. Discussed storm preparedness and recovery plan and town liability.

New Business

Old Business:

Harbor Management Plan (HMP) –96-1 - Minor comments from Kevin Cute (CRMC) as reviewed by Harbormaster Justin Vail. Language used for page 11, 7b still needs to be finalized.

CRMC Application 2017-11-061 (Mark Keely) – Mark Keely hosted a site visit for inspection of distances, proximity to docks, water depth and under water cage design. Mark Keely to submit a single set of changes to DEM in preparation for DEM final hearing in providence. Mark Keely reviewed planned modifications to Application 2017-11-061 that include:

- Aquaculture site area reduced in size
- Floating cages eliminated
- Aquaculture site moved into deeper water to accommodate underwater cages
- Aquaculture site located 75’ from moorings
- Landside support to be removed from the application

Charlestown zoning officer opined via letter that aquaculture operations are not permitted on R3A zoned property abutting the aquaculture site.

Upon motion duly made by Jeff Burns and seconded by Mike Roy it was voted (4-2) to adjust mooring field 1-1 (Quonnie Yacht Club) to increase distance from CRMC Application 2017-11-061 and eliminate some un-navigable shallow/rocky waters.

4 (yes) – Jeff Burns, Mike Roy, Rich Thomsen, Rob Krause

2 (no) – Bill Wilson and Charles Glew

Implementing new goals of HMP

- Obtain DEM/science that dictates mooring limit in Quonnie and Ninigret – Increase availability of mooring permits- Harbormaster Justin Vail to work with Matt (Waste Water) for letter to DEM/contact to collect information.
- Re-design/Re-organize mooring fields - Harbormaster Justin Vail to draft an initial plan.
- Land side support (i.e. dinghy area) – Draft document to outline land side support.

Public Comment:

None

Upon motion duly made by Bill Wilson and seconded by Rob Krause it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: As written
 As amended

Date: May 7, 2018

Rob Lyons