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**TOWN OF JAMESTOWN
HARBOR COMMISSION**

Minutes of the April 13, 2015 Meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission
Approved: 5/11/2016

A meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission (JHC) was held Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at the Jamestown Town Hall, 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, Rhode Island.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Cain called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM with roll call:

Present:

David Cain, Chairman
Wayne Banks, Commissioner
William Harsch, Commissioner
Clifford Kurz, Commissioner
Joseph McGrady, Commissioner

Absent:

Dan Wurzbacher, Commissioner
Bruce Dickinson, Commissioner

Also in attendance:

Chief Edward Mello, Executive Director
George Souza, Conservation Commission Liaison
Kim Devlin, Harbor Clerk & Recording Secretary

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A. Wednesday, March 9, 2016

Commissioner Harsch moves to accept the minutes of the March 9, 2016 Jamestown Harbor Commission meeting, Commissioner McGrady seconded. So voted; (5 ayes, 0 nays).

III. OPEN FORUM

A. Scheduled Requests to Address

No Scheduled requests to address.

B. Non-scheduled Requests to Address

No Non-Scheduled requests to address.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MELLO'S REPORT

Executive Director Mello the boats, the Ribcraft and the Silver Ship will be in the water soon. The Ribcraft motor is being evaluated and a decision will be made in the next few days on if it will be repaired or replaced. The Silver Ship is ready and just needs commissioned and radios installed. Both vessels will be ready to go soon.

Executive Director Chief Mello reported we are getting ready for the season. The West Ferry pumpout upgrades have been quoted and we have ordered work to add an additional pumpout hydrant at West Ferry, so there will be two pumpout stations. We will be stenciling docks with "touch and go," the time limits, the Harbormaster vessel dock, and labeling pumpouts and the public touch & go dock.

Executive Director Chief Mello reported the town is considering placing a small kiosk with map and pamphlets at West Ferry.

Executive Director Chief Mello reported that the eastern most dolphin at West Ferry, when it was installed, the third leg hit rock and they couldn't get it in the ground. Executive Director Chief Mello met with contractors to assess the dolphin and Mike Gray is working with the RT Group to do a quick set of specs to repair that one piling. This is not an insignificant cost, but we will have it fixed correctly. Also, a piling at touch & go is worn out and we will look to replace that at the same time the dolphin is repaired.

Executive Director Chief Mello reported the sewer pump at West Ferry has alternating pumps and only one is working. The pump will be replaced next week.

Commissioner McGrady asked if it is safe for boats to be on the outhauls with the dolphin needing repaired.

Executive Director Chief Mello will keep an eye out may have to watch for storms, but in general, yes, it is safe for boats to be on the outhauls.

V. MARINE DEVELOPMENT FUND BUDGET

A. 2015/2016 MDF YTD Budget

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

VI. HARBOR CLERK REPORT

Harbor Clerk Devlin had nothing to report.

VII. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Budget

Commissioner Kurz had nothing to report.

B. Facilities

Commissioner Dickinson was absent.

C. Mooring Implementation

Chairman Cain had nothing to report.

D. Traffic Committee

Chairman Cain reported that at the next Traffic Committee meeting they will be discussing parking in the north end of the shores.

VIII. LIAISON REPORTS

A. Conservation Commission Liaison

Conservation Commission Liaison Souza asked if the Conservation buoys for Sheffield Cove would be installed soon.

Executive Director Chief Mello stated that yes, the buoys are included in the service contract and will be installed within the next week or so.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. Long Range Infrastructure Plan

Regarding Ft. Getty pier, Executive Director Chief Mello reported that the original assessment was conducted as a baseline for insurance purposes, so the town could file claims for repairs in the event the pier was damaged during a weather event. The original assessment for repairs, estimated at \$400,000, included significant in-kind work by the Public Works department. The Public Work department has committed resources for four (4) years of projects they have in the pipeline and will not be able to commit manpower to the Ft. Getty pier repairs.

Mike Gray has commissioned a second assessment of the Ft. Getty pier that includes all of the work being completed by outside contractors, and also includes the repairs to the approach to the pier. The project is estimated at \$700,000.

The Town Council is aware that the Harbor Commission has prioritized the Ft. Getty pier as a project they would like to see completed sooner rather than later, but the scope of the project is so large that we would need to partner with DEM or another organization to make it a successful project.

Commissioner McGrady stated that, for \$700,000, it might be a good idea to consider constructing something that would draw a profit.

X. CORRESPONDENCE

A. CRMC – April 2016 Calendar

XI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business to discuss.

XII. OPEN FORUM – CONTINUED

There was no Continued Open Forum.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Kurz moved to adjourn at 7:29 PM, Vice-Chairman Harsch seconded. So voted; (5 ayes, 0 nays).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'K. Devlin', written in a cursive style.

Kim Devlin
Jamestown Harbor Clerk