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**TOWN OF JAMESTOWN
HARBOR COMMISSION**

Minutes of the October 11, 2017 Meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission
Approved: November 8, 2017

A meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission (JHC) was held Wednesday, October 11, 2017 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 7:00 PM with roll call:

Present:

Dan Wurzbacher, Commissioner
Clifford Kurz, Commissioner
James Heagney, Commissioner
David Cain, Chairman

Absent:

William Harsch, Vice-Chairman
Joseph McGrady, Commissioner
Wayne Banks, Commissioner

Also in attendance:

Mark Campbell, Harbormaster
Kim Devlin, Harbor Clerk

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

A. Wednesday, August 9, 2017

Chairman Cain moved to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2017 Jamestown Harbor Commission meeting; Commissioner Wurzbacher seconded. So voted; 4 ayes, 0 nays.

A. Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Commissioner Wurzbacher moved to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2017 Jamestown Harbor Commission meeting; Commissioner Kurz seconded. So voted; 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Chairman Cain moved to advance item IX. Appeals to precede open forum.

XI. NEW BUSINESS- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

A. Michael Rocchio – Appeal of late fees; 8/28/2017 - Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Mr. Michael Rocchio first thanked the Jamestown Harbor Commission for volunteering their time. Mr. Rocchio stated he is appealing the fine for not paying his mooring permit fee on time. He missed the renewal and incurred \$300 in late fees. Mr. Rocchio is asking the Jamestown Harbor Commission to consider reimbursing him for the fines.

Chairman Cain moved to reduce Mr. Rocchio's late fee to \$50 and asked the Jamestown Harbor Commission to discuss.

Commissioner Kurz asked MR. Rocchio if this is the first time he was late.

Mr. Rocchio stated that yes, it is the first time he was ever late renewing his mooring permit.

Commissioner Heagney asked how the late fees are added up.

Harbor Clerk Devlin stated that renewals are due May 15 and the grace period ends on June 15. On June 16 \$100 in late fees are applied to the account an on the 16th every month after.

Commissioner Heagney asked what Mr. Rocchio's permit fee would have been without the late fees.

Harbor Clerk Devlin stated the fees would have been \$98.

Commissioner Wurzbacher stated that 20 years of good standing warrants some leniency and Commissioner Heagney agreed.

Commissioner Wurzbacher seconded Chairman Cain's motion. So voted; 4 ayes, 0 nays.

B. Stephen Murphy – Appeal of late fees; 9/5/2017 - Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Harbor Clerk Devlin stated that Mr. Murphy will be out of town until June 2018

Chairman Cain moved to continue the item until the June 2018 meeting, Commissioner Wurzbacher seconded. So voted; 4 ayes, 0 nays.

III. OPEN FORUM

A. Scheduled Requests to Address

There were no Scheduled requests to address.

B. Non-scheduled Requests to Address- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

There were no Non-Scheduled requests to address.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MELLO'S REPORT- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Executive Director Chief Mello was not in attendance, but presented the Jamestown Harbor Commission with a memo regarding storm damage to a town floating dock at East Ferry.

Chairman Cain moved to continue the matter until the next meeting; Commissioner Kurz seconded. So voted; 4 ayes, 0 nays.

V. HARBORMASTER REPORT- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Harbormaster Campbell reported that the boats were pulled for Tropical Storm Jose and the made it through fine. Most of the damage was at the East Ferry touch and go dock. One boat broke free from the Conanicut Yacht Club, but was quickly secures. Another boat at Clark's Boat Yard took on water.

Harbormaster Campbell reported that the boats were re-launched on September 26th and were pulled for the season on October 10th. The boats are at Snug Harbor to be winterized and when they are back they will be shrink wrapped.

Harbormaster Campbell stated that he is almost done for the season and that he has about three weeks left. He will write one more Waypoint to be published on the town website to wrap up the season.

VI. MARINE DEVELOPMENT FUND BUDGET

A. 2016/2017 MDF YTD Budget- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

There was no budget update to present to the Jamestown Harbor Commission.

VII. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Budget- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Commissioner Kurz had nothing to report.

B. Facilities- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Commissioner Wurzbacher had nothing to report.

C. Mooring Implementation- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Chairman Cain had nothing to report.

D. Traffic Committee- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Chairman Cain had nothing to report, but stated that there may be a discussion in the future regarding parking at Head's Beach.

VIII. LIAISON REPORTS

A. Conservation Commission Liaison- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Conservation Commission Liaison Souza had nothing to report.

IX. OLD BUSINESS- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

There were no Old Business items to discuss.

X. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no Correspondence to discuss.

XII. OPEN FORUM – CONTINUED- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Chairman Cain asked the Jamestown Boat Yard representative, Brendan Crawford, if he had anything he wanted to say to the Jamestown Harbor Commission.

Mr. Crawford stated he was in attendance in case the Jamestown Harbor Commission had any questions about the mooring placement in JBY's mooring field, as he is aware that the topic was mentioned at the last meeting.

Harbormaster Campbell stated that he checked the placement of about 20 random JBY moorings and they were all placed where JBY reported they would be located.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Commissioner Wurzbacher moved to adjourn at 7:30 PM, Commissioner Heagney seconded. So voted; (4 ayes, 0 nays).

Respectfully submitted,



Kim Devlin
Jamestown Harbor Clerk