

**TOWN OF JAMESTOWN  
HARBOR COMMISSION**

Minutes of the February 13, 2013 Meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission  
*Approved: 3/13/2013*

A meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission (JHC) was held Wednesday, February 13, 2013 at the Jamestown Town Hall, 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, Rhode Island.

Chairman deAngeli called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM with roll call:

Present:

Michael deAngeli, Chairman  
David Cain, Vice-Chairman  
Ed McGuirl, Commissioner  
Chris Brown, Commissioner  
Patrick Bolger, Commissioner

Absent:

Larry Eichler, Commissioner

Also in attendance:

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**January 9, 2013**

Chairman deAngeli moved to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2013 Jamestown Harbor Commission meeting. Commissioner Brown seconded. So voted (5 ayes, 0 nays).

**January 28, 2013**

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2013 Jamestown Harbor Commission meeting. Chairman deAngeli 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**

No Non-Scheduled requests to address.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MELLO'S REPORT**

Executive Director Mello reported that there was no significant damage from the snowstorm.

Executive Director Mello also reported the wood pile pier repairs have been sent out to bid. The town is still working with FEMA on the Sandy repairs. Executive Director Mello stated the pump at East Ferry that runs the pump out stations will need replacement.

A discussion on the pump replacement, and the possibility of applying for grant money ensued.

Executive Director Mello suggested including the replacement cost in the budget for the upcoming year, as the pump should be replaced before the start of the season.

**MARINE DEVELOPMENT FUND BUDGET  
2012/2013 MDF YTD Budget**

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

Commissioner Bolger questioned two line item numbers on the budget to actual; the YTD expenses for the Boat Capitalization and the Transfer from MDF.

Executive Director Mello stated he would look into those numbers.

Commissioner Bolger also questioned where the outhaul project was budgeted and stated he feel the expense from the outhaul repairs should be expensed from the operating side of the budget.

Executive Director Mello stated that the current 2012/2013 budget that we are operating under has already been approved by the council. Any changes to the current budget will need the approval of the council.

A discussion on how the budget is presented ensued.

Commissioner Bolger stated that the outhaul repairs were not included in the budget.

Executive Director Mello clarified that there was \$15K budgeted for the outhaul repair project in last year's budget. Even though the projected project cost was severely underestimated, the line item was included.

### **HARBOR CLERK REPORT**

Chairman deAngeli moved to move up item, 13(D); Commissioner Bolger seconded. So voted (5 ayes, 0 nays)

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **D. Permit Stickers**

Harbor Clerk Devlin stated that Harbormaster Paterson has indicated there is no need for permit stickers on moorings anymore, since all mooring balls are to be marked permanently with the permit number. There would still be a need for the outhaul, pier and beach permits. Harbor Clerk Devlin stated that the bid has already been sent for the sticker quotes and to change the process at this time in the season would be confusing, but it is something the Harbormaster has requested the Jamestown Harbor Commission consider.

Executive Director Mello stated that as the stickers would indicate if the permit had been renewed, there is still a need for permit stickers on moorings.

Chairman deAngeli agreed with Executive Director Mello's assessment to continue with the permit stickers for approved moorings.

There will be no change to the mooring permitting process of issuing stickers when renewals are approved and requiring those stickers to be applied to the mooring balls.

Harbor Clerk Devlin reported the wait list renewals have been sent. There is no other data to present, at such an early stage in the season.

#### **LIAISON REPORTS**

##### **Planning Commission Liaison**

Planning Commission Liaison seat is vacant.

##### **Town Council Liaison**

Town Council Liaison seat is vacant.

##### **Conservation Commission Liaison**

Conservation Commission Liaison George Souza had nothing to report.

#### **ONGOING BUSINESS**

##### **Budget**

Chairman deAngeli moved to move up items 12(A) and 12(B); Commissioner Cain seconded. So voted (5 ayes, 0 nays).

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### **A. FY 2013/2014 Budget**

##### **B. 5-year Long Range Infrastructure Plan**

An in depth discussion, led by Commissioner Bolger, regarding the structure of the budget ensued.

Executive Director Mello stated that the budget has already been approved, and to re-structure the existing budget for FY 2012/2013 would require the approval of the Town Council.

Commissioner Bolger moved that the expense of \$72K for the outhaul repairs be expensed to the Harbor side of the budget and the overages be covered by the reserved. Commissioner McGuirl seconded, So voted (5 ayes, 0 nays).

Commissioner Bolger moved to eliminate and add to the unreserved on the Harbor side of the budget the following monies currently being held as reserves from the 2004/2005 budget: \$25K reserved for a touch and go at Ft. Getty and \$5K for a touch and go and West Ferry; Commissioner Brown seconded. So voted (5 ayes, 0 nays).

#### **Facilities**

Commissioner Eichler was absent.

#### **Mooring Implementation**

Commissioner Cain had nothing to report.

#### **Harbor Management Ordinance / Comprehensive Harbor Management Plan**

Chairman deAngeli had nothing to report.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **A. Appeal – Michael Egan; re: Mooring Permit Forfeiture**

Michael Egan addressed the Jamestown Harbor Commission regarding the reason for his appeal of the forfeiture of his mooring permit, stating he forgot. Mr. Egan is willing to pay the permit fee and any late fees incurred.

A discussion on the appeal ensued.

Chairman deAngeli stated he is concerned about the precedent that would be set if the appeal was approved. The Harbor Management Ordinance would not have any teeth to it, and this is the reason there are rules in place.

Executive Director Mello stated that, at this time, the mooring has not been reassigned and approving the appeal would not be prohibiting anyone else from obtaining a mooring. Mr. Egan is willing to pay the late fees.

Chairman deAngeli moved to deny the appeal; Commissioner Bolger seconded. So voted (5 ayes, 0 nays).

##### **B. Election of Officers**

Commissioner Cain moved to nominate Michael deAngeli as Chairman of the Jamestown Harbor Commission, Commissioner Bolger seconded. So voted (5 ayes, 0 nays).

Chairman deAngeli moved to nominate David Cain as Vice-Chair of the Jamestown Harbor Commission. Commissioner Bolger seconded. So voted (5 ayes, 0 nays).

##### **C. Permit Language update**

Executive Director Mello presented the Jamestown Harbor Commission with the updated language for the beach, pier, and outhaul permits.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

##### **A. 1-2-2013 – CRMC; re: Public Notice**

##### **B. 1-15-2013 – CRMC; re: Semi-Monthly meeting agenda**

##### **C. 1-15-2013 – Heather Lopes; re: Lawrence Eichler and Edward McGuirl reappointed to Jamestown Harbor Commission.**

Chairman deAngeli moved to accept Correspondence Item A; Commissioner Cain seconded. So voted (5 ayes, 0 nays).

#### **OPEN FORUM - CONTINUED**

Peter Fay questioned the Jamestown Harbor Commission on the Ft. Getty outhaul repairs and the repairs from *Sandy*.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Cain moved to adjourn at 8:35 PM, Commissioner Bolger seconded. So voted; (5 ayes, 0 nays).

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Devlin  
*Harbor Clerk*