

**TOWN OF JAMESTOWN
HARBOR COMMISSION**

Minutes of the May 12, 2010 Jamestown Harbor Commission Meeting

Approved:

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission (JHC) was held May 12, 2010 at the Jamestown Town Hall, 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, Rhode Island.

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

Present:

Michael deAngeli, Chairman
Andrew Kallfelz, Vice-Chairman
Edward McGuirl, Commissioner
Larry Eichler, Commissioner
David Cain, Commissioner
Susan Little, Commissioner
Chris Brown, Commissioner

Also in attendance:

Bob Bowen, Town Council Liaison
Chief Thomas Tighe, Executive Director
Kimberly Devlin, Harbor Clerk & Recording
Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Wednesday, April 14, 2010

Commissioner Cain amended the minutes under item 10 (C) as follows: "~~Commissioner Cain will be heading the committee on Mooring Implementation. stated he feels incapable of making recommendations on the complicated issues involved in the Mooring Implementation Committee and suggests scheduling it as a separate agenda item for future discussion.~~" Commissioner Brown moved to accept the minutes as amended, Commissioner Cain seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays

Chairman deAngeli moved to move up item 12 (A), Commissioner Brown seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Arthur Erhardt – Gridtech boat ramp presentation

Representatives from Gridtech and Contech presented a new gridlock method of installing boat ramps. Chairman deAngeli moved to have Town Engineer, Mike Gray, work with Gridtech on the Ft. Getty boat ramp. Commissioner Little seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Vice-Chairman Kallfelz moved to move up item 11(A), Commissioner Little seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Town Council Resolution; re: Town owned wood piers, floating docks, wharfs and jetties

Elena McCarthy stated her son fishes off the piers at East and West Ferries and it would be a shame to prohibit families from using the piers to fish.

Vice-Chairman Kallfelz moved to move up item 10(C), Commissioner Little seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

ONGOING BUSINESS
Mooring Implementation

A discussion on a memo provided by Commissioner Cain ensued. Chairman deAngeli stated it was the job of the Jamestown Harbor Commission to make an advisory decision for the Town Council.

Vice-Chairman Kallfelz questioned why the Jamestown Harbor Commission is making decisions based on what is best for the "new" boater, when fishermen, lobstermen, etc. have been using the piers long before the boaters. A discussion on fishing ensued. Commissioner Cain stated fishing could result in an injury which is a liability to the town. Chairman deAngeli stated there are some risks that cannot be avoided, and the risks must be balanced with public access to public town property.

Town Council Liaison Bowen stated the Town Council would be discussing rules for the Wood Pile Pier and new Touch and Go's.

Chairman deAngeli moved to recommended to the Town Council a 30 minute maximum time limit at the new touch and go's and to prohibit fishing. Vice-Chairman Kallfelz seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

CONSENT AGENDA

No Consent Agenda.

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 TIGHE'S REPORT

Executive Director Tighe provided the Jamestown Harbor Commission with a list of the required elements for a CRMC approved Harbor Management Ordinance. Executive Director Tighe also reported the ramp at the Wood Pile Pier needs to be repaired, and the Town will buy the equipment to do so. Executive Director Tighe presented a General Order regarding relocation of moorings procedure for the Jamestown Harbor Commission to review.

MARINE DEVELOPMENT FUND BUDGET
2009/2010 MDF YTD Budget

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

HARBOR CLERK REPORT

Harbor Clerk Devlin reported the database is running smoothly and many renewals are being processed online. Harbor Clerk Devlin has spoken with Mike Gray regarding the West Ferry outhauls. We will be working on getting the brush cleaned up and the stairs repaired. Rick Audette, from LA Management, commissioned the pump-out at West Ferry and he will be back to do the the pump-out repairs at East Ferry, which will take about three days.

HARBORMASTER REPORT

Harbormaster Paterson reported he likes the new system, especially when they will have a computer for the boat. Harbormaster Paterson reported he will be working with the Recreation Director to move the kayak rack at Ft. Getty to a more accessible location. Harbormaster Paterson reported he will also be working on re-spacing the outhauls at West Ferry, per Mr. Westall's recent complaints.

Harbormaster Paterson also mentioned a rescue effort by Dutch Harbor Boat Yard and their staff. A canoe overturned with two people on it and DHBY initiated the rescue effort.

LIAISON REPORTS
Planning Commission Liaison

Planning Commission Liaison seat vacant.

Town Council Liaison

Town Council Liaison Bob Bowen reported the Town Council passed the MDF budget.

Conservation Commission Liaison

Conservation Commission Liaison seat vacant.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Facilities

Commissioner Little provided the Jamestown Harbor Commission with a facilities report. Commissioner Little will speak to Mike Gray regarding the Ft. Getty boat ramp and the use of the gridloc ramp system. Commissioner Little also stated there are some blocks with rusted cables at Ft. Getty which need to be taken care of.

Commissioner Cain will be heading the committee on Mooring Implementation.

Technology

Vice Chairman Kallfelz had nothing to report.

Harbor Management Ordinance / Comprehensive Harbor Management Plan

Chairman deAngeli had nothing to report.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Budget

Commissioner Brown provided the Jamestown Harbor Commission with a change for the Harbor Management Ordinance, under Section 8(e) Finances. His change, regarding the percentage of operating revenues which may be transferred into infrastructure revenues each year, was from the 10% (ten percent) currently allowed to 50% (fifty percent).

Commissioner Little moved to accept item 12(b), the CRMC checklist, Chairman deAngeli seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

CORRESPONDENCE

A. DEM; re: Saltwater fishing liscense

B. Richard Kingsley and Holly Turton; re: Mooring conflict

C. Mary Brennan; re: West Ferry outhaul wait list

Commissioner Brown moved to accept items 13(a), 13(b), and 13(c). Commissioner Cain seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

OPEN FORUM-CONTINUED

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Brown moved to adjourn at 8:37PM, Commissioner Eichler seconded. So voted; 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Devlin
Harbor Clerk