

TOWN OF JAMESTOWN HARBOR COMMISSION

Minutes of the August 11, 2021 Meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission Approved: 9/8/2021

A meeting of the Jamestown Harbor Commission was held Wednesday, August 11, 2021 on site at the East Ferry Wood Pile Pier, Jamestown RI 02835.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Vice-Chairman Banks called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM with roll call:

Present:

Wayne Banks, Chairman Michael Junge, Vice-Chairman Eric Lexow, Commissioner Steven Bois, Commissioner (5:06) Jessica McCarthy, Commissioner Dan Wurzbacher, Commissioner

Absent:

Richard Raynes, Commissioner

Also in attendance:

Chief Edward Mello, Executive Director George Souza, Conservation Commission Liaison Kim Devlin, Harbor Clerk Glenn Skalubinski, Harbormaster

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote A. Wednesday, July 14, 2021

Vice-Chairman Banks moved to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2021 Jamestown Harbor Commission meeting; Vice-Chairman Junge seconded. So voted; 5 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 had nothing to report.

(Commissioner Bois arrives 5:06PM.)

V. HARBORMASTER REPORT

Executive Director Chief Mello introduced Harbormaster Skalubinski to the Jamestown Harbor Commission.

Harbormaster Skalubinski had nothing to report.

VI. MARINE DEVELOPMENT FUND BUDGET A. 2020/2021

MDF YTD Budget- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

The budget was not available for review.

VII. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Commissioner Lexow had nothing to report.

- B. Facilities Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
- Commissioner Wurzbacher and Vice-Chairman Banks had nothing to report.
- C. Mooring Implementation Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote Vice-Chairman Banks had nothing to report.
- D. Traffic Committee Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote Commissioner Junge had nothing to report.
- E. Gould Island Restoration Committee Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote Commissioner Bois had nothing to report.

VIII. LIAISON REPORTS

- A. Conservation Commission Liaison Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote Conservation Commission Liaison Souza had nothing to report.
- B. Town Council Liaison Report Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote Town Council Liaison White was absent.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to discuss.

X. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Charlotte Zarlengo – Concerns regarding Head's Beach Mooring Area; 7/16/2021 - Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Chairman Banks moved to accept the Correspondence; Vice-Chairman Junge seconded. So voted; 6 ayes, 0 nays.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Head's Beach Mooring Area - Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote Commissioner Wurzbacher recused himself.

Executive Director Chief Mello provided a summary of the timeline for the approval of the Head's Beach Mooring Area. Executive Director Chief Mello stated that the Jamestown Harbor Commission amended the Harbor Management Ordinance and Plan that included three new mooring areas, including Park Dock and Cranston Cove. This was a requirement of CRMC in order to have our ordinance and plan approved, as there were moorings placed in those areas that did not meet CRMC standards. Those moorings would have had to be removed if they were not located within a mooring area. The Jamestown Harbor Commission, Town Council and CRMC have all approved the Harbor Management Ordinance and Comprehensive Harbor Management Plan a number of years ago that included those three new mooring areas.

Charlotte Zarlengo stated that she does not agree with the Head's Beach Mooring Area and expressed her displeasure to the Jamestown Harbor Commission.

Joseph Cannon stated that he wants the Jamestown Harbor Commission to reach out to the Jamestown Shores Association when making decisions about things that happen in the Jamestown Shores.

Executive Director Chief Mello stated that the changes to the Harbor Management Ordinance and Comprehensive Harbor Management Plan went through the Public Hearing process and that all residents have had the opportunity to express their opinions on the matter.

B. East Ferry site visit of Town Property - Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote Executive Director Chief Mello led a tour of the East Ferry Town facilities for the members of the Jamestown Harbor Commission. The Town facilities included the wood pile pier, the steel pier, the two northeast facing touch and go docks at the end of the wood pile pier, the new ferry dock on the south side of the wood pile pier, the pumpout facilities and the boat ramp.

Chairman Banks moved to have the Jamestown Harbor Commission address the Town Council regarding the signage at the new floating dock at East Ferry; Commissioner Bois seconded. So voted; 6 ayes, 0 nays.

XII. OPEN FORUM – CONTINUED - Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote There was no continued open forum.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT- Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote Vice-Chairman Junge moved to adjourn at 5:55 PM; Commissioner Bois seconded. So voted; 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Devlin

Jamestown Harbor Clerk