

Town of Guilford
Marina Commission
Regular Meeting, June 13, 2022
Zoom Video Meeting

Members present: Chairman Stephen Goldschmidt, Anthony Coppola, David Davison, Al DiMarzio
Others: Rod McLennan, Dockmaster, Kristin Jones, Recording Secretary

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Stephen Goldschmidt at 7:04 pm.

1. Approval of May 9, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Corrections to the Minutes were noted.

Motion: D. Davison moved to approve the April 11, 2022 minutes as corrected, seconded by A. DiMarzio. Approved unanimously.

2. Treasurer's Report

D. Davison reported receiving both April and May Financials from the town. He said sometime in the summer the Marina Commission will receive the year end report as the town fiscal year ends June 30th.

Motion: A. Coppola moved to approve the financial report, seconded by S. Goldschmidt. Approved unanimously.

Motion: D. Davison moved to approve the Dockmaster invoices of \$1956.60, seconded by A. Coppola. Approved unanimously.

Motion: D. Davison moved to approve the secretarial invoice of \$52.93, seconded by S. Goldschmidt. Approved unanimously.

3. Dockmaster Report

1. The "Vendor", "No Parking", and "Trailer Parking Only" signs from the parking lot are missing. One was retrieved from the water. The police were notified.
2. A buoy was placed off of Jacob's Beach for Park & Rec.
3. Two new planters were constructed and placed in the parking lot.
4. 320 lbs. of debris was taken to the transfer station.
5. New eyes were welded on to the "No Wake" buoys and they were put out.
6. 50 new key fobs were received and programmed.
7. One "Permit Parking Only" sign was run over and another pulled up and thrown in one of the parking lot islands. The police were notified.
8. The outhouse was tipped over. The police were notified.

S. Goldschmidt reported that after he heard of the vandalism happening at the Marina and contacted Police Chief Hyatt. He talked about the cameras currently being used and the need of getting other cameras that had higher resolution and motion detection indication which would alert

police when there was activity. Police Chief Hyatt said that he would talk to Jay Leatherman who handles some of the IT for the town. S. Goldschmidt also asked Dockmaster McLennan to check with the company who services the outhouses to see if they have a better way to secure down the outhouses. Dockmaster McLennan said that he would.

4. Correspondence

None

5. Old Business

5.1 Dredging

S. Goldschmidt reported that it was mentioned to him that 6 million dollars would need to be allocated and spent this current fiscal year or it would be lost. S Goldschmidt contacted First Selectman Matt Hoey and the state representative office about exactly what the money was that needed to be spent and found out it was state bonding money. He said that Representative Sea Scanlon's office and First Selectmen's office was looking into if there was a possibility of the Marina Commission getting their hands on it for the dredging.

S. Goldschmidt asked Dockmaster McLennan if he has heard any comments from sail boaters or the commercial boats. Dockmaster McLennan reported that they have commented that they have to currently play the tides and are not happy about it. There was discussion if the Marina Commission didn't have enough money to cover the dredging, would the town help pay. D. Davison said that he will contact Mary Jane Malavasi to see if she could give him any idea if they could borrow money or if the town has ever seen this before. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that the commission will decide in July as to whether or not they will go out to bid for the dredging this summer.

5.2 Launch Ramp Dock Extension

S. Goldschmidt reported that the Marina Commission did receive the COP and after reading the Cop it was evident that they could do the extensions, but if did not have permitting within one year, it would have to be removed. Dockmaster McLennan did say that the Marina Commission could get a 1-year extension on the COP.

Motion: A. Coppola moved the Launch Ramp Dock Extension project go out to bid, seconded by A. DiMarzio. Approved unanimously.

5.3 CT Port Authority "Legacy Fund Reallocations"

Nothing new at the moment

5.4 Sluice Gate Repair and Marsh Rehabilitation Project

S. Goldschmidt reported that since the last meeting there was a video conference call with all the key players. There was still work to be done as the Army Corp did not have information

from the studies of tide movement done for other purposes or a list of the population of the different species that might be affected by this project. Dockmaster McLennan reported that the letter from DEEP to the landowners were currently held up in the attorney general's office.

5.6 Future Memorial/Donor Recognition

D. Davison reported that the backing board will be done and hopefully ready to install by the 4th of July. D. Davison and A. DiMarzio will work on a flyer to get out to the public. A. DiMarzio suggested the name change of the project to be Friends of the Marina and it was agreed to change it to that.

5.7 Discussion of GMC Mission, Goals and Strategic Plan

Tabled because discussions need to take place.

6.New Business

6.1 Faulkner's Island Light Brigade sign replacement

A. Coppola explained that the Faulkner sign has been there since the 90's and has been vandalized regularly. The Faulkner Committee would like to replace the sign that used to be there and after discussion it was agreed that they could replace the sign.

7. Adjourn

Motion: A. Coppola moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:37, seconded by D. Davison and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kristin M. Jones

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Recording Secretary