

Five Mile River Commission
January 19, 2017 Meeting Minutes
The Boardroom, Rowayton Community Center
33 Highland Ave., Rowayton, CT 06853

Commission member in attendance:

John de Regt

David Snyder, Harbor Superintendent

Absent:

Matthew Marion

Dirk Leasure

William Jessup

Guest: Steve Bartush

The meeting started at 7:34 pm. A quorum was not present. Confirmation of December 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes e-approval is pending. These minutes have been reviewed and approved by the Commission, and have been filed electronically with Darien and Norwalk within the statutory period. They will be approved retroactively by vote at the Commission's February 2017 public meeting.

Discussion included environmental concerns. Guest Steve Bartush noted that Norwalk will be reconstituting a water quality commission, and suggested that after the City appoints a water quality commissioner, we should consider communicating with them. Also discussed benefit of installing a water monitoring station in the river. Steve volunteered to follow up on both.

The group then reviewed the new FiveMileRiver.org website. In addition to downloadable documentation, the website features an automated mooring application sign up form. When the site goes live, the Commission will also be able to market moorings in the river more effectively through current mooring and dock applicants to advise fellow boaters of availability of space, as well as to local real estate offices, marinas and other commercial entities along the river.

Next, the group reviewed the Harbor Superintendent's Report, which covers the following:

- YTD expenses/income
- FMR stickers sourced/delivered to Tammy/Boatworks
- Receipt of 2016 income and expenses from City of Norwalk (Sal Iannacone)
- Dock Applications/Cover Letter to all Marinas
- Follow up reminder emails to moorings/docks to go out end of January
- Vessels coming and leaving mooring field annually
- Updated FMR HS contact information with USCG

- FMRC/Harbor Superintendent vessel discussion

The meeting ended at 8:07 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2017 at 7:30 pm in the Board Room, Rowayton Community Center, 33 Highland Avenue, Rowayton, Connecticut

Respectively submitted, David Snyder, Harbor Superintendent.