

**CITY OF NORWALK
HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 15, 2017**

ATTENDANCE: Tony Mobilia, Chair; John Pinto; Bill Gardella; Jan Schaefer; Joseph Perella; John Crespo; Dennis Santella

ABSENT: John Romano; Tony Aitoro

STAFF: Officer Mike Silva, Officer Pete Lapak, NPD

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE

Mr. Mobilia called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Mr. Mobilia called the roll. A quorum was present.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Mobilia stated that there will be a POCD meeting on Saturday. He encouraged all to attend.

4. STAFF REPORTS:

a. Harbor Master

No report was given.

b. Consultant

No report was given.

5. SHELLFISH COMMISSION

No report was given.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Application Review

Dr. Pinto stated that yesterday, the Application Review Committee reviewed three applications. The first application was the Norwalk Aquarium IMAX reconstruction project. Aquarium representatives gave us a review of the project. We voted to approve the project and submitted comments.

Dr. Pinto stated that the second application was for 121-123 Water Street. He stated that catch basins have been added and they are more than adequate to handle the storm water runoff. Dr. Pinto stated that we voted to approve the application.

Dr. Pinto stated that the third application was for 27 Neptune Avenue. He stated that the structure on the property was taken down. The basement was filled in and a new structure will be constructed. Dr. Pinto stated that we voted to approve the application.

b. Mooring and Harbor Safety
Marine Police Unit
NFD Marine Unit

No reports were given.

c. Finance

No report was given.

d. Plans and Recommendations

No report was given.

e. Nominating Committee
Dunavan Award Discussion

Dr. Pinto stated that the Dunavan Award will be given posthumously to Paul Saviano. Mr. Saviano was the Deputy Harbor Master at the time of his passing.

Dr. Pinto stated that recommendations for the new Deputy Harbor Master have to be sent to the Governor's Office. He stated that two individuals have come forward as candidates for the position. Discussion followed on the candidates- Bruce Levallo and Jeff Mangels.

**** MR. SANTELLA MOVED TO ACCEPT BRUCE LEVALLO AND JEFF MANGELS AS THE NOMINEES TO BE FORWARDED TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.**

**** MS. SCHAEFER SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

f. Newsletter / Web site

Ms. Schaefer stated that the latest edition of the newsletter will be distributed at tonight's State of the Harbor meeting.

g. Water Quality

No report was given.

h. Bridges

Mr. Mobilia stated that we have not received any new updates from the DOT about progress on the I-95 Bridge.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- ** DR. PINTO MOVED TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 25, 2017 MINUTES AS SUBMITTED.**
- ** MR. PERELLA SECONDED THE MOTION.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED WITH FIVE IN FAVOR AND TWO ABSTENTIONS (MR. SANTELLA AND MR. CRESPO).**

8. NEW BUSINESS / OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Mobilia stated that the next Harbor Management Commission meeting will be held on December 20, 2017.

9. ADJOURNMENT

- ** MR. SANTELLA MOVED TO ADJOURN.**
- ** DR. PINTO SECONDED THE MOTION.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Blaney
Telesco Secretarial Services