

SHELLFISH COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

City of Norwalk
Shellfish Commission Meeting
March 6th, 2008

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CALL TO ORDER 7:09 PM

ATTENDANCE

Commission: Jack Casagrande, Pete Johnson, Dr. Serena
Staff: Tom Closter
Police: Sgt LaPak
Advisory: Capt. Dave Hopp, Harbormaster Mike Griffin
Guest: Tim Pramer, Doug Stabell

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

February minutes approved with no corrections by Pete Johnson, 2nd by Dr. Serena

TREASURER

Comm. Johnson reports:

NAME DATE AMOUNT REASON

BALANCE 1-31-08 \$7,685.44
INTEREST Interest January \$27.00
DEPOSIT Fisherman's World 2-12-2008 \$150.00
Fisherman's World 2-12-2008 \$100.00

EXPENSE AT&T (\$125.73)

Jenny's Upholstery (\$150.00) Flags
Silvermine Press (\$487.00) Tide Charts
Constables 2-4-08 (\$275.42)
Constables 2-15-08 (\$91.81)

BALANCE 2-29-08 \$6,832.48

BALANCE 3-1-08 \$6,832.48

BALANCE a year ago 3-1-07 \$25,337.05

BALANCE two years ago 3-1-06 \$21,172.04

SECRETARY

Commissioner Casagrande discussed billing of Marine Division Constables for hours worked for security and safety of cable laying project. Suggestion made to Sgt LaPak to keep all those hours separate for separate billing later. Sgt LaPak will check on agreement made prior to start of project.

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COMMITTEES

HEALTH DEPT

Mr. Closter reports:

6.42 inches of rain in February vs .78 last year and average since 1987 of 2.45 inches. There were 219 calls in February. There was a partial closure in the CAA area for over 1/2 inch of rain from 2/1 through 2/8 and 2/13 through 3/3. There was a complete closure from 2/1 to 2/8 and 2/13 to 2/23. There were two notices of by-pass reported.

2-1-08 Unknown Treatment Plant 2.5 Hours

2-13-08 Unknown Treatment Plant 3 Hours

WASTEWATER TREATMENT

No Report

WATER QUALITY

Harbormaster Griffin reports Water Quality Committee still concerned with by-pass events. Committee reinforces mission to broaden the understanding of the local community and our valuable freshwater aquatic and marine environments and maintain a dialogue with various local water quality and conservation organizations and departments of the State and Federal Governments to improve the quality of our waterways. Future discussions will center on the role of the Water Pollution Control Authority.

PERMITS

Mr. Casagrande distributed tide charts.

POLICE

Sgt LaPak reports for February 18 hrs patrol, no arrests. Next project is looking to replace red flags.

ADVISORY

Capt. Dave Hopp states water temperature is 39 degrees.

HARBOR MANAGEMENT

Harbormaster Mike Griffin reports three cables are laid from Northport to Manresa. Cables buried from mid sound, 30-foot contour line south of Sheffield outside of island. It took two shifts 6am to 6pm six days a week with heavy winds to bury one cable.

Preparations are being made for work inside of island including silt containment. Contractor will remove 12 anchors as soon as final jetting of cables inside islands and final survey complete. Work in mid sound in NY stopped after January 31, 2008 as a result of flounder season. Safety boat will patrol until work starts again May 1, 2008.

Harbormaster Griffin discussed dredging project and areas of concern. Approach to east basin, east basin and south anchorage with dredging to start October 1, 2008.

Motion made by Mr. Johnson, 2nd by Dr. Serena to accept committee reports.

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OLD BUSINESS

Broadwater project is currently on hold.

NEW BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING

Thursday April 10, 2008.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

At 7:50PM by Dr. Serena, 2nd by Mr. Johnson

