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HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

HMC Meeting DATE: Wednesday March 6, 2024 TIME 7:00 PM LOCATION: Chester Town Hall

Minutes

Roll Call The meeting came to order at 7:02 pm

In attendance were Commissioner Kane, Commissioner King, Commissioner Devanney, Commissioner Foggitt, Commissioner Chillock. One audience of citizen.

Commissioner Chillock made the motion to approve the February meeting minutes it was seconded by Commissioner King.

Chairman Kane advised the commission that the \$10,400 request for the repair of the Parkers Point boat ramp was approved by the BOS. The BOF will vote on Thursday and if approved will need to go to Town meeting in April.

The commission received requests for 4 Moorings to date. The commission will email reminders to past holders.

Chairman Kane spoke to Essex staff about the Pump Out Boat program to understand the overall cost of the program. The federal program reimburses \$45,00 per boat and there is \$42,477.20 of additional expenses shared by the 7 towns the program supports. This year's assessment is \$5,500.

Round 4 SHIPP grant will be reviewed by the commission and discussed in depth at the April meeting.

The derelict boat may be destroyed after 3/15 per the DEEP, the funding for this will come out of the Mooring Fund.

Chairman Kane advised the commission that the 2024-25 budget submission included \$5,000 request be placed into Capital annually for the next dredging cycle.

Commissioner Chillock requested that HMC manual updates be submitted to him to compile.

Citizen Carlie Dailey spoke to the commission on behalf of the EDC. She discussed marina/restaurant signage on RT154 and sought the commissions input.

Commission adjourned at 8:11