Chester Harbor Management Commission  
Special Meeting, October 4, 2017  
@ 4:00 PM  
Chester Town Hall,  
Conference Room C  
203 Middlesex Avenue, Chester, CT  

Minutes

1. Call to Order  
a. By Chm Severance at 1605  
b. A Quorum was established  
c. In attendance:  
  i. Chm Severance, Commissioners Adams, and Ward  
  ii. Harbormaster Libby

2. Welcome Guest/s  
a. Keith Neilson Docko, Inc.  
b. Kelly Neilson

3. New Business  
   A. Chester Marina Permit Application  
    Chm Severance pointed out three areas in the Chester Marina  
    “New Marina Perimeter” application that are troublesome.  
    1) Cover Letter of Application; verbiage reads like they  
       were changing the “footprint” of the marina.  
    2) Page 1 of 10 in Application: They need to indicate they  
       have contacted us C-HMC  
    3) Page 6 of 10 in Application; Part IV.1a: verbiage to be  
       modified to not look like the Applicant will be  
       “establishing a marina perimeter along the Creek”  
       This we would not allow.  

Other members discussed the application and agreed with the  
suggested changes.
Keith, the PE for the project will re verbalize/change our areas of concern, and send them to us; at which point the CHM will write a letter to DEEP, of approval of the Application.

B. Deputy Harbor Master Nominations

1) Commissioner Adams expressed an interest in becoming a Deputy Harbormaster

2) The commissioners and HM discussed who would also be interested in the DHM position.

3) We must submit three candidates to the Governor for selection of one.

3. Harbormaster's Report

Cy reported it has been a quiet summer on our waterfront. There were only 4 new mooring permits issued. Other marinas in the area are also way down on mooring applications.

5. Reports of Committees

Water Quality Report

In Jeb’s absence, he sent in the results of our summer Chester Creek Water Quality Testing Program. A real success was our requirement bird spikes be installed under the new Main Street Bridge. The sample just below the bridge showed a the water quality (E-Coli) count to be only 35.3% of what it was before the bridge was replace. The count; however, at the testing sight below the confluence of Great Brook and the Pattaconk was up 216%. The site just above the Middlesex Ave Bridge was also up. It was up 284.3%. The count at the mouth of Chester Creek was the same as the last testing. The last testing was done in 2013.

6. Old Business

Chm Severance reported that we (the Chm) manages the CT River Pumpout Boat Program. I was co-managed by a member (the owner of Essex Island Marina) of the Essex HMC. Since EIM was sold to Brewers; we have had to go it alone. The POB activity has been significant. Last season we pumped 110,000 gallons of waste from boats on the Lower CT River.

7. Adjournment: 1645

Joel P. Severance, Chairman